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SAS soldiers deny being 'press ganged'

Inquest told troopers wanted to tell story

- SAS marksmen who shot and killed three IRA terrorists in Gibraltar have denied their evidence was orchestrated
- Soldier D, last member to give evidence at the inquest, said they wanted to get the story *right*
- He rejected suggestions from the lawyer for terrorists' families that he *had acted as Lord High Executioner*
- Mr M, security officer, confirmed soldiers' evidence that Mairead Farrell *did not raise hands as if to surrender*

By Tony Dawe

The SAS team involved in the shooting of IRA terrorists in Gibraltar said yesterday that they were determined that people should know the full story of what had happened and had therefore been eager to appear at the inquest.

As the last member of the seven-man team completed his evidence, they emphasized that nobody had "press ganged" them and that their evidence was the fact.

The statement was clearly designed to end speculation that the SAS soldiers had been forced to appear to spare the Government further *embarrassment over the* shootings.

It was also to counter claims by lawyers representing the families of the three terrorists that their accounts were so identical that they must have been made up.

The statement was made by an SAS trooper known only as Soldier D, who after completing his evidence, faced the jury and told them: "I would just like to say that all the soldiers from A to G appeared here because we wanted to come here. We were never press ganged to be here. We wanted to give our evidence and get the story right.

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"The facts of the day were what we have actually said and we have been pleased to come here to give you people our evidence."

In his evidence, Soldier D *had described the "milli*seconds" in which he had to decide whether to open fire at one of the terrorists and how he had to push a woman out of the way first.

He told the inquest that he fired nine bullets at the terrorist, Sean Savage, and carried on firing until he was on the *ground and could not possibly* detonate by remote control the bomb believed to be in Gibraltar.

Mr Patrick McGrory, representing the terrorists' families, suggested to Soldier *D*: "You appointed yourself Lord High Executioner of Mr Savage on this day." The SAS soldier replied in a loud northern accent: "That is not true."

He described in chilling detail how he and his companion, Soldier C, had confronted Savage.

He told the inquest: "I was closing in at that stage to affect the arrest. I needed to be a little closer and there was one person in front of me. It was a female.

"Before I could get any *closer I heard the sound of* gunfire. Soldier C shouted, 'Stop.' Savage spun round, he *didn't stop and his hand went* down towards the pocket in his hip area.

"Uppermost in my mind at the time was that a bomb had been left in the Ince's Hall car park. I believed Savage had a *detonator and was going to* detonate that device.

"I had to make a decision. There was gunshots to my left rear, a threat to people around me and to C and me. It was milliseconds I had to make a decision."

The inquest has been told that the shots heard by Soldier D were those being fired by two other SAS men at the two other terrorists, Mairead Farrell and Daniel McCann.

Soldier D continued: "I had to move the female away with my left hand, draw a pistol with the other hand and engage Savage. I fired nine rounds. The last two rounds were aimed at his head. He was possibly just inches away from the ground.

"I kept firing until he was *on the ground and his hands* were away from his body because at any time he could press a button and detonate the bomb which I had been told was in Ince's Hall car park."

Both Soldier D and Soldier C, who gave his evidence in chief on Wednesday, faced hostile cross-examination from Mr McGrory. He adoped three main themes, the first being to ask the soldier why they had shouted a warning at Savage and had not just got close enough to put a pistol to *his head*.

The soldier replied that Savage had been alerted by the gunfire behind them and said that they had ordered him to stop before they began firing. "He didn't have much time to stop, did he?" Mr McGrory asked Soldier D. He replied: "To my mind he had more than enough time."

The soldier added: "If Savage had stopped, I tell you he would be alive now." The remark brought a harsh

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TOMORROW IN COLOUR

- In news from home and abroad, political commentary, coverage of business and personal finance, the arts, sport, leisure and more, tomorrow's four-section, full-colour *Times* contains the best weekend reading.

- To mark the centenary of **T. S. Eliot**'s birth, *The Times* next week publishes the extracts from the first volume of his collected letters, edited by his widow. Tomorrow she talks about her lifelong devotion to the poet.

- **Virginia Leng** is among Britain's best hopes for gold in Seoul. The first week of the XXIVth Olympiad is the subject of a full six-page guide tomorrow, introduced by **David Miller**.

For more details of Saturday's four-section full-colour *Times*, turn to page 3

Government set to outlaw steroids

By Martin Fletcher and Howard Foster

The Government yesterday *signalled its determination* to make the possession of anabolic steroids without a medical prescription a criminal offence although the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs failed to endorse the *proposal*.

Mr Douglas Hogg, Under Secretary at the Home Office, announced that his officials are to begin consultations with pharmaceutical, medical and other relevant bodies on *bringing* anabolic steroids within the control of the Misuse of Drugs Act, 1971.

Proposals would render those who imported, supplied or possessed steroids without proper authority liable to stiff penalties if convicted, and would be a direct response to growing public alarm about the *abuse* of these drugs by sportsmen and bodybuilders.

A series of articles in *The Times* has disclosed widespread selling and importing of steroids in Britain, and a Commons motion calling for them to be made illegal has been signed by 183 MPs.

At present the use of steroids has been banned in most competitive sports but is not illegal. Mr Hogg said: "I believe the time may now be right to think in terms of making anabolic steroids subject to the kind of controls already applicable to dependence drugs".

The Times investigation uncovered a complex international network of dealers with a turnover of tens of millions of pounds a year.

The investigation found evidence of large-scale crime, *tax and customs evasion*, the theft of valuable drugs needed to help sick children and confirmation that those who use steroids to improve sporting performance risk serious illness or death.

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Masked gunmen hold family hostage overnight

Police officers releasing one of the bank employees locked in a vault at the Preston branch of the National Westminister for more than three hours yesterday.

Gang seizes £300,000 from bank

By Peter Davenport

Masked gunmen held a bank manager, his wife and his teenage daughter hostage *overnight and locked his staff* of 61 in a vault before escaping with more than £300,000 yesterday.

Armed police laid siege to a branch of the National Westminster Bank in Fishergate, Preston, Lancashire, for two hours before finally ordering in a trained assault team.

It was only when the team broke into the bank through a rear door that it was realized the gang, consisting of at least three gunmen, had fled almost two and a half hours earlier.

Yesterday Detective Superintendent Barrie Walmsley, the officer in charge of the investigation, said of the robbery: "It was an exceedingly well planned operation".

The gang had apparently monitored the movements of the bank manager, Mr Roger Ball, aged 45, for some days before the robbery.

Mr Ball left his office at the busy, town centre bank soon after 6.30 on Wednesday evening to walk to his car, parked near by.

He found one of the vehicles' tyres was flat and as he moved to the rear of the car to get the spare, two masked men jumped out of a van and blindfolded, gagged and bound him.

Mr Ball was bundled into *the back of the van*, which drove off to the Morecambe Old Golf Course, close to Mr Ball's home.

Mr Roger Ball: bound, gagged and blindfolded.

The bank manager was ordered to telephone his wife, Jean, telling her to allow the *attackers into his house*.

The two men held Mr Ball, his wife and their daughter, Vanessa, aged 13, at gunpoint throughout the evening and into the early hours of yesterday.

At 4am, the three were bound, gagged, hooded, bundled into the boots of two cars and driven the 35 miles back to Preston.

Soon after 5am, the cars pulled up in a side street close to the bank and Mr Ball and his family were taken to a room above an empty shop.

There they were held until just after 9am, when the gunmen marched Mr Ball into his bank. He was ordered to tell his staff that a robbery was about to take place and ask them to go into the bank's *large vault, which*, as part of the bank's security system, was opened by an automatic timing release, not keys.

At 9.30am, Mr Ball was ordered to let more members of the gang, armed with a sawn-off shotgun and a hand gun, into the bank.

The gang then bundled what police described as "a substantial amount of money", believed to be at least £300,000, into bags.

Mr Ball too was then locked in the vault. A grill was shut, but the main steel door was left open to allow air into the room.

Meanwhile, Mrs Ball had managed to struggle to a window overlooking the

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US battens down as Gilbert bears down on Texas coast

By Our Foreign Staff

Millions of Americans were preparing last night for what is expected to be the worst storm to hit the United States this century as Hurricane Gilbert bore down on the Gulf coast.

With winds of 175mph, the storm is capable of repeating the extraordinary damage it has done throughout the Caribbean. Moving at 15mph, it could threaten Brownsville, *Texas*, or *Galveston, or even*, possibly, New Orleans.

The storm has been gathering strength as it passed over the Gulf of Mexico and thousands have been fleeing from its path.

"This is still the biggest, most destructive storm that many of us have ever seen", *Mr Martin Nelson*, of the National Hurricane Centre in Miami, said. "People in Gilbert's path should take immediate action to protect life and property." The hurricane has taken at least 26 lives in *the Caribbean and left up to 500,000 homeless in Jamaica*, with at least 100,000 homes destroyed.

The storm was expected to crash home on mainland United States early today near *Brownsville*.

"We're not gaking any chances. This looks like a monster coming in," a police official said in Port Isabel on Padre Island, Texas, which lies in the path of the storm.

US aircraft monitoring the *storm were instructed to take* special precautions because Soviet aircraft were also in the vicinity carrying out similar tasks. "Our planes and the

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Soviets will be there at the same time and there is an agreement that they will maintain radio contact to avoid problems", Mr Nelson said.

As the Gulf area prepared for the worst, *Jamaica began*, with the help of nearly 200 Royal Navy sailors, to try to rebuild after its worst natural disaster in modern history.

With the first British holidaymakers of an estimated 1,000 trapped there returning from the island, Captain Paul Canter, of HMS *Active, which* had sped to the stricken area, told *The Times* by radio: "With a disaster of this scale we shall want to do whatever we can. *There still* remains a great deal to do in addition to what the island *authorities* can do for themselves."

Most of the ship's crew were deployed as soon as the ship reached the island. While her helicopter was used for surveillance and evacuation from areas still cut off and a medical team tried to reach the injured, the men sent ashore tried to help the suffering by providing food and clothing for the homeless.

Yesterday, the frigate put ashore several parties on *Grand Cay, but it was decided* later to switch efforts to Kingston.

A second Royal Navy vessel, the auxiliary tanker Oak Leaf, is also heading to Jamaica to help with the operations.

About 470 holidaymakers flew into Manchester yes*terday on the first commercial* flight to leave since the hurricane struck. Today a second flight is expected with some of the island's remaining 500 British tourists.

"Everything seemed to be moving; I thought there was an earthquake", Mrs Samantha Fowler, of Crook, Co Durham, said. "It took three to hold the door shut while we piled furntiure against it."

At the height of the hurricane hotel windows were

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Big sorting offices vote to go back

By Roland Rudd, Employment Affairs Reporter

The national post strike had all but ended last night with the key sorting offices in London and Glasgow voting to return to work after local management and union officials negotiated a formula to deal with the backlog of letters.

Mr Bill Cockburn, Managing Director of Royal Mail letters, said last night: "It is *excellent news for millions* of our customers. It is becoming increasingly clear that those few offices still on stike are out of step and I urge them to join with the others."

The Post Office is now confident that postal services will quickly return to normal since more than a third of all the nation's mail passes at some stage through the capital.

Pockets of resistance to the return are confined mainly to

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the North-East. Only 20,000 out of the 140,000 postal force are still on strike. Last night talks were taking place at Romford, the only London *sorting office still in dispute*.

After a meeting of the 35-man Union of Communica-

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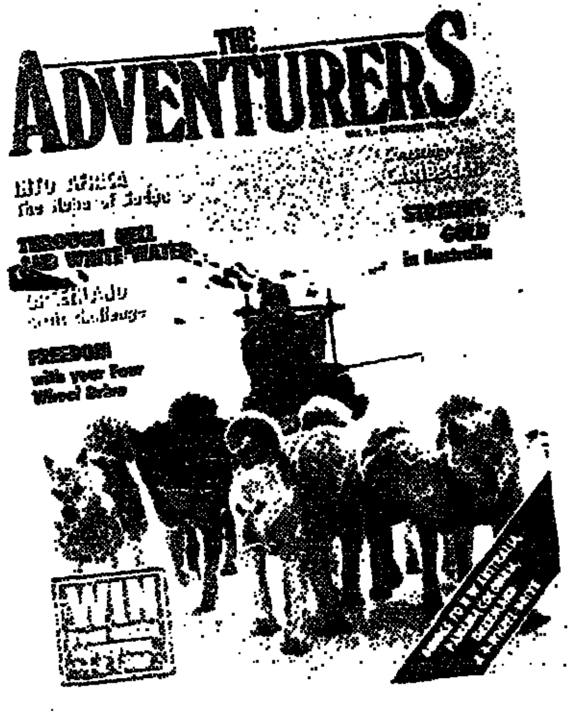

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Hurd reveals aims of new TV laws

By Richard Evans
Media Editor

Britain's commerical television "map" is to be left untouched by the Government and ITV companies will be *subject to far less red tape* in the 1990s, it was disclosed yesterday.

Cabinet ministers have resisted pressure to include proposals in the forthcoming broadcasting White Paper about slimming down the existing 15 franchise areas – and instead will leave the *delicate task to the Independent* Broadcasting Authority's successor body.

Mr Hurd, who promised the White Paper would be "coherent, comprehenesive and controversial", is well aware *of the backbench fury which* would have been provoked in the Commons if the Government had suggested amalgamating smaller ITV regions like Border, Grampian and TSW into bigger areas.

The Home Secretary, speaking at Yorkshire Television's annual lunch held in London, *said that although there were* some significant points still to be cleared up about the White Paper "the basic decisions have been taken so far as the Government is concerned". He hopes to publish it at the *end of next month*.

"The White Paper will emphatically not be a blueprint of the future of British broadcasting. We have long passed the stage where Government should seek to lay down what the viewer and listener want or should be allowed to have."

Doctors explain cervical cancer smoking link

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

British doctors have found the cause of the hitherto unexplained link between smoking and *cancer of the* cervix. In research published in today's issue of *The Lancet* a team from two leading *London hospitals* and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund say that smoking destroys cells which *play a vital role* in enabling the body to resist attack by chemicals and infections.

A *similar mechanism* may place smokers at a higher risk of contracting skin cancer.

Dr *Jack Cuzick*, of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund Laboratories, in London, said the link had not been *pursued* until recently because it seemed so biologically implausible to link inhaling smoke into the lungs with an increase in a disease of the cervix.

The new study involved a comparison between normal healthy women and those with signs of a precancerous development detected by cervical smear tests. Using biopsy material, the scientists have found that all the samples taken from women who smoke, both healthy and with signs of the precancerous stage, have significantly reduced numbers of Langerhan's cells which are found in the skin and linings of the body and which provide the first line of defence against attack by poisons and infections. Their job is to alert the immune system to respond to the attack and their absence by smoking lowers the resistance of the cervix, making the individual more vulnerable to attack from the human papilloma virus that causes the disease.

The investigation was made by Mr Albert Singer, Dr Simon Barton and Dr David Jenkins, of the Whittington and Royal Northern hospitals and Dr Cuzick's group. Their results show more than a third of the protective cells are lost among women who smoke 20 cigarettes a day.

The human papilloma virus is found widely in otherwise healthy but sexually active women, and smoking acts as a "co-factor" that triggers the *progression to a precancerous stage*.

There are more than 2000 deaths a year in Britain caused by cervical cancer, and the number should be halved by stopping smoking.

- **Lives saved:** The lives of more than a thousand women a year are being saved by advances in breast cancer treatment according to a *leading* expert.

Professor Robert Rubens, director of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund breast unit at Guys Hospital, said the death rate was being cut for the first time in 50 years.

The fall in the death rate is achieved by the wider use of anti-cancer drugs after operations or in conjunction with radiotherapy.

Professor Rubens was speaking at the launching in London of a new video about breast cancer, called *One Woman in Twelve*.

NEWS ROUNDUP

Girl, 11, blinded by dog disease

More than 200 children at a school in Christchurch, Dorset, have been banned from eating or playing on the school's sports field at lunchtime after a girl aged 11 was blinded in one eye after contracting toxocariasis, a disease spread by dog excrement. The move came a month after Rachel Hall, aged seven, a girl from Blackpool, Lancashire, was awarded £5,000 by the local council after contracting the disease in a public park and losing the sight in both eyes.

Neither the name of the junior school in Christchurch nor the name of the pupil who picked up the parasite has been disclosed by health authorities in Dorset. The headmaster said yesterday: "When our pupils returned for the start of the new term, it was obvious that people had been using our fields to exercise their dogs through the summer".

It is estimated that at least 600 children a year suffer eye infections after contracting the disease, carried in parasitic eggs deposited in dog excrement in public places.

Rural studies centre

A new Centre for Rural Studies was opened yesterday at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, to teach countryside management. It marks a recognition by Britain's oldest agricultural college that farming must now be placed in the context of wider social and economic issues. The centre will be staffed by researchers in land management, sociology, geography, economics and environmental studies. As well as undertaking research, it will accept commissions from government agencies, local authorities, land agents, planners and developers.

Bulldozer remand

A man was accused at Nottingham yesterday of bulldozing a branch of Barclays Bank. Wayne Alder, aged 20, of Ashland, The Grove, Milton Keynes, charged with criminal damage and taking a vehicle without the owner's permission, was remanded on bail on condition that he lives at home and stays away from the bank branch at Arnold, Nottingham.

Change at BBC news

BBC *Nine O'Clock News* is to have an American-style anchorman from the end of next month, it was announced last night. Martyn Lewis and Michael Buerk are to share the role of single presenter seven days a week when the flagship news programme is relaunched on October 31. The news slot is to be extended to 30 minutes every evening. The two presenters will work an alternating shift system with one working four days a week and the other three.

Pilot died in air prank

A trainee pilot was dive-bombing a friend in another plane seconds before they crashed in mid-air, a Civil Aviation Authority report said yesterday. Witnesses saw Thomas Passmore, aged 17, a pupil of Wellington School, Somerset, diving and "dog fighting" as he flew alongside Ben Jordan, also 17, of Old Bath Road, Cheltenham, the report said. Mr Passmore died when his Piper Tomahawk crashed into a copse at Longdon, near Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, but Mr Jordan managed to stay in control of his aircraft.

End of Piper Alpha

The wreckage of the Piper Alpha oil platform, which exploded last July with the loss of 167 lives, is to be blown up, Occidental, the operators, said yesterday. The destruction will be carried out later this autumn after ending the search for the 113 missing bodies. All that will remain will be a 250ft stump in water nearly 500ft deep. Work on raising the main accommodation section, where most of the missing bodies are thought to be, is expected to begin next week.

TUC vote on unemployment programme brings swift response

Government ends Training Commission

By Roland Rudd
Employment Affairs Reporter

The Government yesterday announced that the Training Commission will be abolished in order to end the TUC's role in running the £5 billion Employment Training programme for the 600,000 long-term unemployed. The move was last night condemned by both wings of the Labour movement.

After the TUC's vote at its annual conference last week to withdraw support from the training programme and start a policy of non-co-operation, Mr Norman Fowler, the Secretary of State for Employment, yesterday said he had no alterantive but to sever its last influential link with the elected government of the day.

Any change in the commission's status or composition requires legislation, which Mr Fowler said he would introduce at the "earliest possible opportunity".

However, in order to bring an immediate end to the TUC's involvement, Mr Fowler announced his decision to transfer the powers of the commission to an new executive agency within the Department of Employment with immediate effect.

All the commission's programmes, including the Youth Training Scheme and TVEI, will now be centralized under government control. Mr Roger Dawe, the director general of the commission, will report directly to Mr Fowler.

"The TUC's instruction to withdraw support from ET has destroyed the tripartite basis of the commission" he said. "It is managerially impossible to ignore the inescapable consequences of that decision. It left the Government's biggest training programme in the hands of three committee representatives committed to opposing it."

Mr Michael Meacher, the shadow Secretary of State for Employment, called it a "vindictive and destructive act which sabotages all prospect of a properly planned and integrated training system for the unemployed". Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, condemned the move, calling it a "gross overreaction" to the unions' decision to withdraw their co-operation from ET.

"The Government has struck a blow at the effectiveness of the our national training effort as a whole. This hasty decision is wrong and we will lobby hard against it. Training programmes are only a success with the cooperation of all the parties."

Mr Eric Hammond, general secretary of the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union, last night blamed the Government move on the "TUC's abysmal own goal". He said his union would not join other unions in "irresponsibily turning their backs on the long-term unemployed" and added that he was willing to help in the training progamme in any way.

The GMB union yesterday announced that it has signed a single-union agreement with Star Micronics in south Wales, after a contest with four other unions. Mr Jeff Burns, the regional organizer, made clear that the union it had not offered a no-strike clause and had beaten off a challenge from the electricians. Coming so soon after the expulsion of the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union from the TUC over its refusal to withdraw from two single-union, strike-free agreements, the company was reluctant to talk about the disputes procedure at the new plant, which is aimed at resolving problems without recourse to industrial action. It is understood that the arbitration clause, at the centre of the recent inter-union dispute over strike-free agreements, is not compulsory. Mr Burns said he was planning to unionize all members of the 70-strong plant, expected to grow to 400 by the 1990s.

● Ford Motor Company is to build a $68 million components plant near Cadiz, Spain. It is not insisting on a single-union deal. Ford abandoned plans to build the plant in Dundee last April when it failed to reach a single-union agreement.

England leads US in car theft

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Car thefts in England and Wales are at a higher rate than in the United States, Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, disclosed yesterday.

"The crime rate in America, particularly for violent crime, is far worse than our own," he said in Witney, Oxfordshire. Yet for car thefts the reverse was true. Taking population into account the United States had only two thirds the car theft rate of England and Wales.

"It is surely intolerable that police time and police resources, which should be concentrated more and more on deterring and catching violent criminals, should instead be gobbled up by the need to record and investigate thousands of crimes to do with property which might easily have been prevented", Mr Hurd said.

The latest crime figures, for the 12 months ending in June, recorded 378,000 offences of theft of a motor vehicle or its unauthorized removal and 659,000 thefts from a vehicle.

Mr Hurd said that the overall figures, which showed a 0.6 per cent drop in crime over the previous corresponding 12 months, were welcome but werewere still too high.

"There are far too many relatively minor, property-related crimes in this country which could be prevented. About a quarter of all household burglars enter their victim's home through an open door or window. One in five of us who are drivers regularly park our cars unlocked."

Mr Hurd said the Home Office Crime Prevention Centre was about to issue a manual of guidance on how architects, planners and developers could contribute to crime prevention when designing a new building or estate.

Advice would be given on points of access, external lighting, and the siting of car parks and garages.

The British Standards for security of buildings against crime, for lighting, for doors, windows, roofs and for burglar alarms would be listed.

Mr Hurd added: "We are talking to the car makers about their responsibility to design vehicles and radios which are harder to break into or steal".

Fire test on model of escalator

By Ronald Faux

Scientists preparing the model of the King's Cross escalator (Photograph: Chris Harris).

Scientists set fire to a scale model of the King's Cross escalator and booking hall yesterday to discover more about how flames behave.

The result of the experimental blaze at the Explosion and Flame Laboratory of the Health and Safety Executive near Buxton, Derbyshire, added another piece to the jigsaw of cause and effects underlying the tragedy last November in which 31 people died.

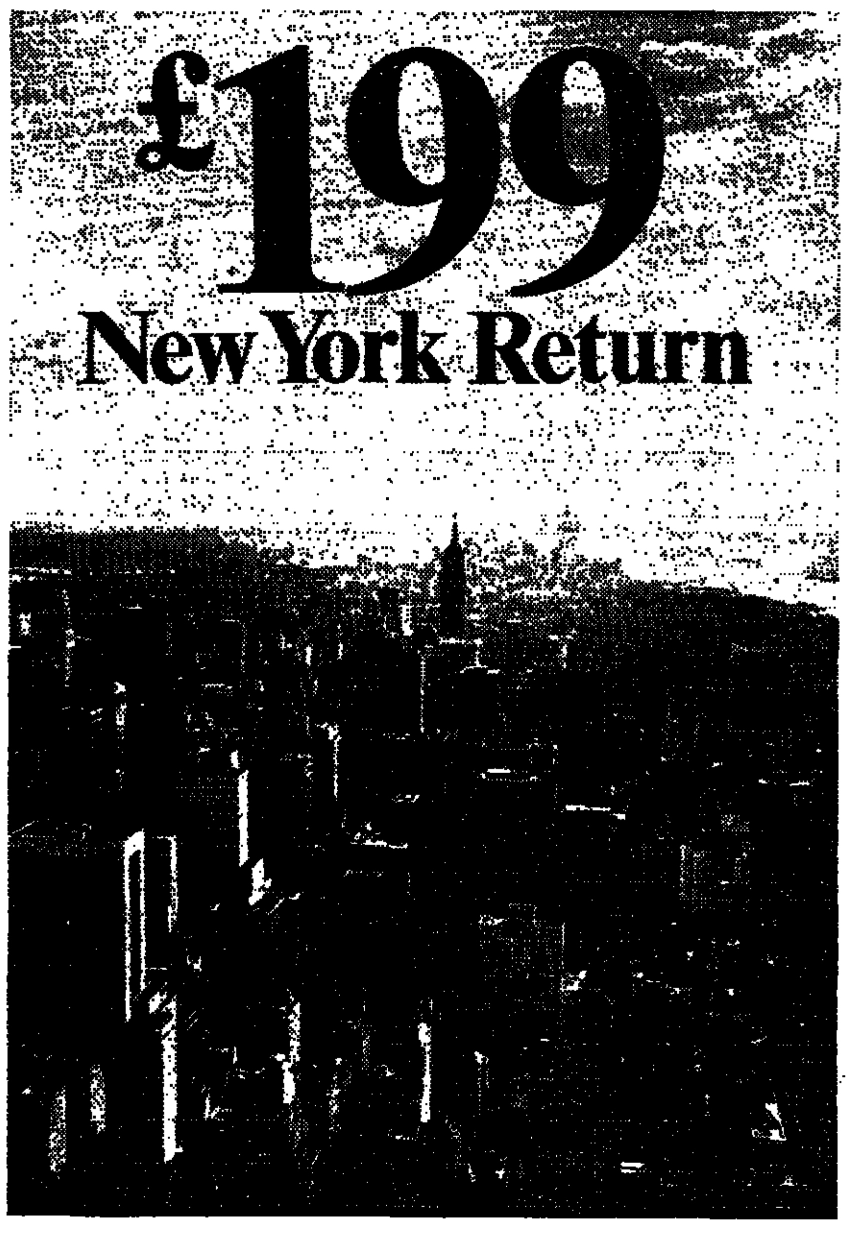
Mr John Barton, deputy director of the laboratory, said test fires in the one-third scale model of the Underground system would help the official inquiry into the disaster and give guidelines to the designers of enclosed shopping malls or stations.

"It has added another dimension to our knowledge about how fire behaves in these circumstances", Mr Barton said. The experiments in the model, which is encased in sheet steel, have proved that fire rising up an esclatator shaft is subject to a "trench effect", climbing the steps rapidly rather than rising vertically, the usual course for unconfined fire.

Account was not taken of the effects of the underground system, the type of paint covering the walls of the escalator or the debris beneath it. Once a fire develops momentum, debris, drafts and paint had little influence.

That was borne out by the tests. A small fire on the lower steps of the escalator, at about the point where the King's Cross blaze is thought to have begun, took hold of the woodwork and within seconds flames were slanting upwards, accelerating fast. By the time the red glow at the head of the escalator had become a roaring inferno the fire was travelling at more than six metres a minute and corkscrewing against the ticket hall roof.

From the first whisp of fire to an inferno generating temperatures of more than 600 degrees centigrade took little more than three minutes.



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Drug gang jailed for smuggling cannabis worth £4m into UK

By Michael Horsnell

A rock musician who masterminded a £4 million drug smuggling ring and his girl friend, a vicar's daughter, were both jailed yesterday.

The pair were condemned by Mr Justice Mars-Jones at Cardiff Crown Court for the "misery, poverty, corruption, ill health and even death", they had caused through their drugs trade.

Peter Welch, aged 49, and Delyth Davies, aged 27, enjoyed a life of luxury in London until cannabis worth £4 million was landed on a secluded beach in west Wales.

About 100 Customs and police officers were hiding at Aberbach Beach, near Fishguard, when seven gang members landed the 1.5-ton cargo from Morocco. Detectives had tracked Welch's group for a year.

Welch, who led a double life as a rock musician and drugs baron, was singled out by Mr Justice Mars-Jones as the ringleader in the smuggling operation.

The judge said he was satisfied Welch led Davies into the evils of widespread cannabis and cocaine dealing in London and other parts of the country.

"Without you she would never have become involved in this foul trade", he said.

Welch, with addresses in Swansea, Portugal and Chislehurst, south-east London, was found guilty of five charges, including smuggling cannabis and possessing cocaine with intent to supply it, and sentenced to 22 years.

He was also ordered to forfeit £67,000 or face another two years in jail. Welch was aiming for international stardom with an album called *Just for the Crack* when he was arrested.

Davis, a former art student who became a cocaine addict after meeting Welch and becoming his mistress, blew a kiss to her parents as she was led from the dock after being sentenced to 14 years on charges of smuggling and possession of cocaine with intent to supply the drug.

Although the judge said she had been corrupted by Welch, a man old enough to be her father, she was willingly his "Girl Friday" and the gang's accountant.

"You became a very competent manager of the day-to-day affairs of this organization", he said. "You were living in luxury, surrounded by minders and assistants. You knew perfectly well what you were about and the terrible consequences of your actions."

Her father, the Rev John Davies, of Manordeifi, Dyfed, comforted his wife Frances, as their daughter was led away.

Dennis Wheeler, a sales manager, aged 36, of Seymour Street, central London, who was found guilty of smuggling, was sentenced to 12 years and ordered to pay £50,000 prosecution costs.

He was an international cannabis merchant responsible for financing, organizing, and shipping the cargo into Wales, the judge said.

Wheeler had substantial amounts of money concealed abroad from his drugs business, but the profits could not be seized in this case because the new Drugs Trafficking Offences Act was not in force at the time of the gang's arrest in November 1986, he said.

He fled from Canada after smuggling cannabis on a yacht in August 1982. Scotland Yard has a warrant from the Canadian authorities for his extradition.

Robert Delbos, aged 38, captain of the 70ft Minou that carried the drugs, and Barry Scott, aged 31, a builder, of Mitcham, south-west London, a member of the Aberbach shore party, were each sentenced to 12 years.

Four men who pleaded guilty to drug-smuggling at the start of the trial received lesser sentences. Kim Buckley, aged 44, a motor trader, of Llandyssul, Dyfed, and David Jeffrey, aged 28, of Newcastle Emlyn, Dyfed, were each jailed for seven years.

Two of the Minou crew rescued by waiting officers when their drug-laden dinghies capsized in rough seas were each given 30 months' imprisonment, but were released yesterday after spending nearly two years in custody on remand.

The judge said Neil Franks, aged 32, and Robert Turnbull, aged 35, both of no fixed address, had not greeted their rescuers with much enthusiasm but should count themselves lucky to be alive after being abandoned in the water by the rest of the gang.

A known British drugs middleman, living in Spain, is still being sought in connection with the Aberbach haul, which will be destroyed.

Prince's call on film standards

The Prince of Wales, seen showing his delight after watching a western on an early moving-picture machine, spoke out against television violence yesterday at the opening of the Museum of the Moving Image in London, saying it was "palpable nonsense" that it had no effect on people's behaviour (Andrew Billen writes). He told guests at the opening ceremony of the film and television museum that it was not difficult to draw comparisons with the standards which used to exist throughout the film-making profession. "For instance, do we have to tolerate an incessant menu of utterly gratuitous violence on both cinema and television — especially television — and most particularly videos? Those of us with children are very concerned by the appalling lack of restraint shown by those who make such films and videos. He added that those who complained were told there was absolutely no proof that violence on television had any effect on people's behaviour. "But that, as we all know, is palpable nonsense." The Prince, patron of the British Film Institute, said there was an attempt by "so-called experts" to confuse ordinary people so they felt they did not know what they were talking about, and that what they were seeing was merely an illusion. He had earlier unveiled a plaque in honour of Mr Yue-Kong Pao, who donated £1.5 million towards the £12 million costs of the museum.

Scientists to make 'seal plague' check on otters

Scientists are to examine whether the canine distemper virus that has killed 11,000 seals in the North Sea — more than 700 of them along the British coast — could spread to the otter.

Although no instance has been recorded, the otter is known to be susceptible and scientists from the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology are conducting a survey on Shetland of Britain's biggest otter population of more than 1,000. Otters and seals coexist there and if it is found that the virus can be transferred, an emergency programme of inoculation is likely.

Dr Mike Harris, deputising for Dr Hans Kruuk who is leading the research programme, said yesterday: "No one knows what the effect would be of this virus on the otter but there is concern. There are not many places where otters and seals get together."

- The Government is to fund further research on the impact of pollution on seals, Lord Caithness, Minister of State for the Environment, announced yesterday.

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- Mr Stewart Laws, aged 39, an excavator driver from Guiseley, West Yorkshire, won a half share in yesterday's daily Portfolio prize of £4,000, and will spend some of it on cream teas when his family goes on holiday in Cornwall. The other winner was Mr Richard Symes, from Tavistock, Devon.
- The Accumulator fund stands at £206,000.

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Police beat man, Dahl says

By Peter Mulligan

Roald Dahl, the writer, told a court yesterday how he saw a police officer "delivering straight lefts" into the face of a handcuffed man in Hyde Park, central London.

He said he saw a group of five officers in a semi-circle around a man who was backed up against a van. "When the punches were being delivered, he was trying desperately to protect his face with his handcuffed arms by raising them", Mr Dahl said.

The author, aged 72, was giving evidence at Bow Street Magistrates' Court on behalf of Errol Barton, aged 27, a plasterer of west London, who denied assaulting a policeman and cruelling treating a police dog. Both charges were dismissed.

Mr Dahl said: "Another punch was delivered to this extremely bloody face and I shouted: "What has he done for heaven's sake". After another punch or two the man sank slowly to the ground, almost certainly unconscious, but I cannot vouch for that.

"Immediately four or five policemen pounced on top of him and a rather repulsive mêlée took place, a sort of punching and kicking of an object beneath them.""

The police had then lifted Mr Barton up and thrown him like a "sack of cement" into a police van, Mr Dahl said.

His own feelings were at the sight were as deep and emotional as he had ever felt in his life, he told the court.

"I have been through the war and seen some nasty things but still don't feel that I have ever seen anything quite as nasty as this. I thought I was probably in South Africa or somewhere." Mr Dahl said he had always supported the police.

The court was told that Mr Barton had been stopped in his car by two officers who asked why his tax disc was out of date.

An argument began when they tried to arrest him because of an outstanding warrant.

After reinforcements were called a dog handler "teased" him with a police alsatian which he kicked because it advanced as if to bite, he said.

The court was told that Mr Barton had a previous conviction for assault on police and had also been sentenced to three months' imprisonment for causing actual bodily harm to police in February.

PC Stephen Jenkin, the police van driver, told the court: "At no time did I see any officer kick or punch".

Wife 'ambushed in bed with vicar'

A husband burst into his wife's bedroom and photographed her in the arms of the vicar who had wrecked his marriage, Exeter Crown Court was told yesterday.

Jon Clive Crawshaw, a bus driver, broke into his estranged wife's new home at 2am and the flash on his camera woke the couple as they slept together.

Mr Crawshaw's wife Dagmar, aged 39, told a jury of the raid on her home as she finished giving evidence about a later incident in which her vicar lover was attacked on her doorstep.

Mr Crawshaw, aged 46, of Green Lane, Exeter, denies assaulting the Rev Ian Hollin last September at his wife's home in Budleigh Salterton, Devon.

Mr Hollin, aged 47, of Park Place, Exeter, has told the court he was bundled into a flower bed, kicked and punched.

He has admitted having a two-year affair with Mrs Crawshaw.

He has now split up with his wife and has been forced to resign his job as vicar in charge of church music at Exeter Cathedral because of his affair.

Mrs Crawshaw yesterday told how her husband had photographed her in bed with the vicar in April last year, a month after she had moved to Budleigh Salterton.

Asked if she had been photographed in bed with Mr Hollin, she replied: "Yes, Crawshaw had been to the house on several occasions making a nuisance of himself and causing trouble".

Then she told of the 2am incident.

Mrs Crawshaw, who works at the cathedral bookshop in Exeter, rejected suggestions she had twice tried to run over her husband in a car.

Mr Crawshaw, in his evidence, denied even being in Budleigh Salterton on the night of the attack.

He told the jury he did ambush the couple in bed to get evidence for his divorce proceedings.

The hearing continues today.

Cuban shooting

Defectors 'still in Britain'

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

The former Cuban intelligence officer and his girl friend who are believed to have a played a leading role in trying to persuade the expelled Señor Carlos Medina Pérez, the commercial attaché, to defect to the West, are understood to be still in this country.

Señor Florentino Azpillaga Lombard, who now works for the CIA, and Señorita Martha Hernandez Plasencia, aged 23, are believed to have been used by British and American intelligence organizations in a joint operation to entice Señor Medina Pérez to defect.

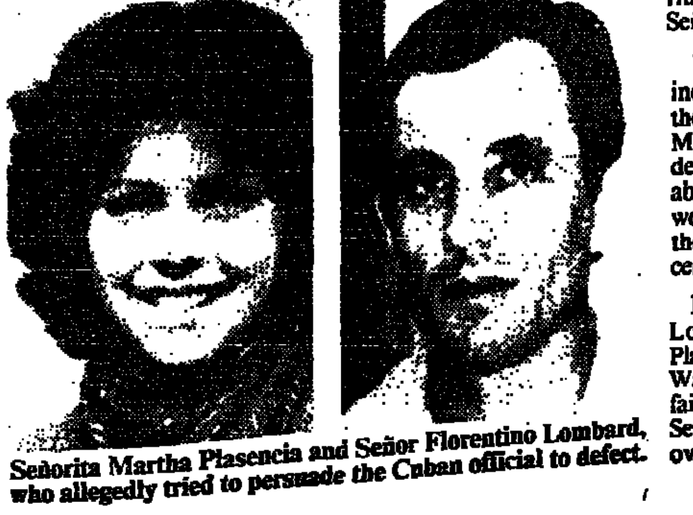
He had known both Señor Lombard and Señorita Plasencia in Havana. Señor Lombard was a major in the Cuban intelligence agency, DGI, and Señor Medina Pérez, while officially a commercial attaché in London, is also known to be an intelligence officer in the same organization. Yesterday Cuban officials in London said that Señorita Plasencia had not worked for the Havana government.

She met Señor Lombard while he was posted in Prague as an intelligence officer. They defected together by crossing over the border into Austria in June last year.

Yesterday an official at the Cuban embassy said that it was not known whether Señorita Plasencia had married Señor Lombard.

Witnesses to the shooting incident on Monday outside the flat belonging to Señor Medina Pérez in Sussex Gardens, west London, were unable yesterday to identify the woman, seen running from the car containing MI5 officers, as her.

It is expected that Señor Lombard and Señorita Plasencia will soon return to Washington, DC, after the failed attempt to persuade Señor Medina Pérez to come over to the West.



Señorita Martha Plasencia and Señor Florentino Lombard, who allegedly tried to persuade the Cuban official to defect.

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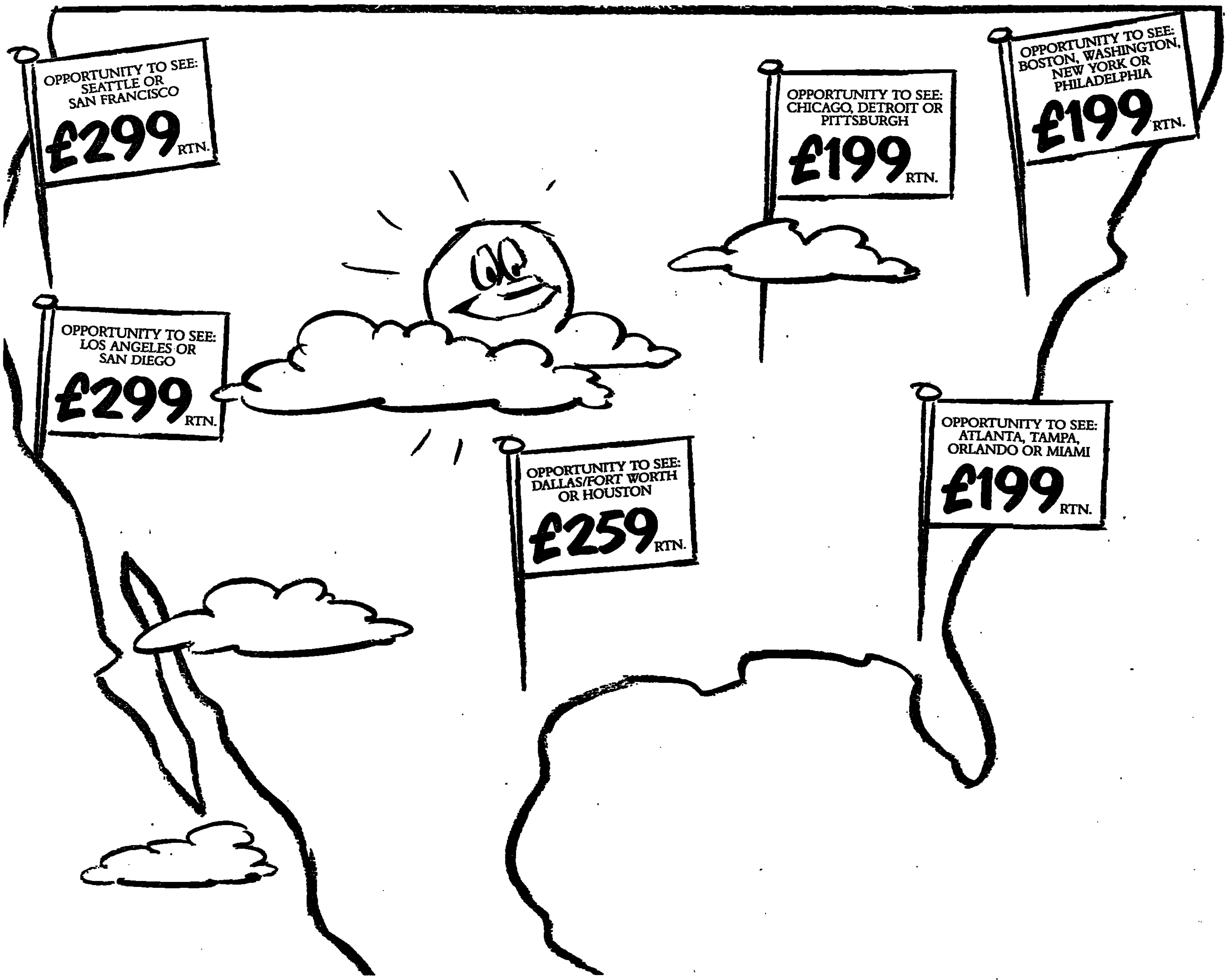
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Soldier says he shouted 12-word warning and then fired six times at Savage

SAS heard siren seconds before shooting

GIBRALTAR INQUEST

A wailing police siren was heard seconds before SAS marksmen in Gibraltar shot three IRA terrorists, the inquest was told yesterday.

Soldier C said he and Soldier D were following Sean Savage after he separated from Mairead Farrell and Daniel McCann on March 6.

Savage was carrying newspapers that could have concealed a transmitter.

Then Soldier C heard a siren and, looking over his shoulder, could see a blue light flashing. He assumed it was a police car. That was before the shooting started at the Shell garage where Farrell and McCann were killed.

Soldier C shouted out to the court the warning he said he gave to Savage: "Stop, police, hands up, get down, hands above the head, stay still".

The SAS marksman told Mr Felix Pizzarello, the Gibraltar coroner: "Once we had achieved that we would have got policemen on the scene to effect the arrest".

However, Soldier C added that when Savage turned, "he adopted to me what was a threatening position, what we know as a CQB", a close quarter battle stance. He said that was not a crouched but a slightly tipped position.

Under repeated questioning from Mr Patrick McGrory, representing the families of the terrorists, C insisted he had believed at the time Savage would press a bomb button and detonate a car bomb in the town centre.

The soldier told the eighth day of the inquest into the terrorists' deaths that he fired six rounds at Savage, a known bomb-maker.

Savage corkscrewed one way and then the other. Some of the shots could have gone into his front and side and possibly in the back. As Savage started falling and rocking backwards – as his head approached the ground – C stopped firing.

He denied standing over Savage and firing more bullets into him.

The inquest has been told there were stripe marks on the ground within the area chalked around Savage.

Mr McGrory asked Soldier C: "Does that not indicate to you there was a gunman standing over him?"

C: "I don't know, sir. Sir, we did kill him. But it was to prevent him from moving to initiate the bomb."

Mr McGrory: "Is that the standard of minimum force that is taught to you?"

C: "It was within the rules of engagement".

Mr McGrory: "Did you place your feet on Savage's chest and fire some bullets into him?"

C: "Not at all, sir".

Mr McGrory: "You did not see D do that, did you?"

C: "Not at all, sir".

Mr McGrory: "We have heard evidence from qualified people that there were certainly four bullets which hit this man, three of them about the head when he was either lying on the ground or within just a few inches of it".

C: "They would have gone down into his head from me while he was near the ground".

Mr McGrory suggested he went on firing.

C: "He fell through the arc of firing. It was still at the mass of the body, but as he came through the rounds hit him in the head area."

Mr McGrory: "You are saying he simply got his head in the way of the bullets?"

C: "That is the way it seemed to me, sir".

Mr McGrory: "It is your opinion that once you have opened fire you go on firing?"

C: "You should go on firing until they are no longer a threat to the situation".

Mr McGrory: "The best way to ensure that is to kill them?"

C: "Yes, sir".

The lawyer added: "Can you explain how five bullets hit this man in the back since you and D, according to your evidence, were firing at the front?"

C: "No, sir. I can't".

Mr McGrory asked if he had been briefed to expect that all three could have or would have a detonator.

C: "I was told all three – any one of them could have a detonator".

Soldier D, the next witness, said it was emphasized at briefings that Farrell, McCann and Savage were dangerous and fanatical terrorists.

He was told the radio-controlled device they would be carrying could be detonated by the press of one button. "We were told that it was possible that all three members could be carrying a device to detonate the bomb.

"On the day that we went out we were told that the bomb had been planted."

He told Mr McGrory there had been arrest rehearsals before the operation. "What was intended was that we were to approach the terrorists.

"Once we had decided to effect the arrest the pistol would be there, we would shout 'Stop Police. Hands Up'. Once that was done we would make sure the terrorists were on the floor with arms away from the body."

Soldier D said he had no option but to fire when Savage swung round to face him.

He said that under Army rules of engagement and believing Savage was about to detonate a bomb, the SAS men need not have shouted a warning.

Savage, he said, swung round. "We gave him the benefit of the doubt. He did not stop. He carried on with the movement. We told him to stop. We gave him the option to stop."

If Savage had stopped immediately when he was called on to stop, then he would be alive now.

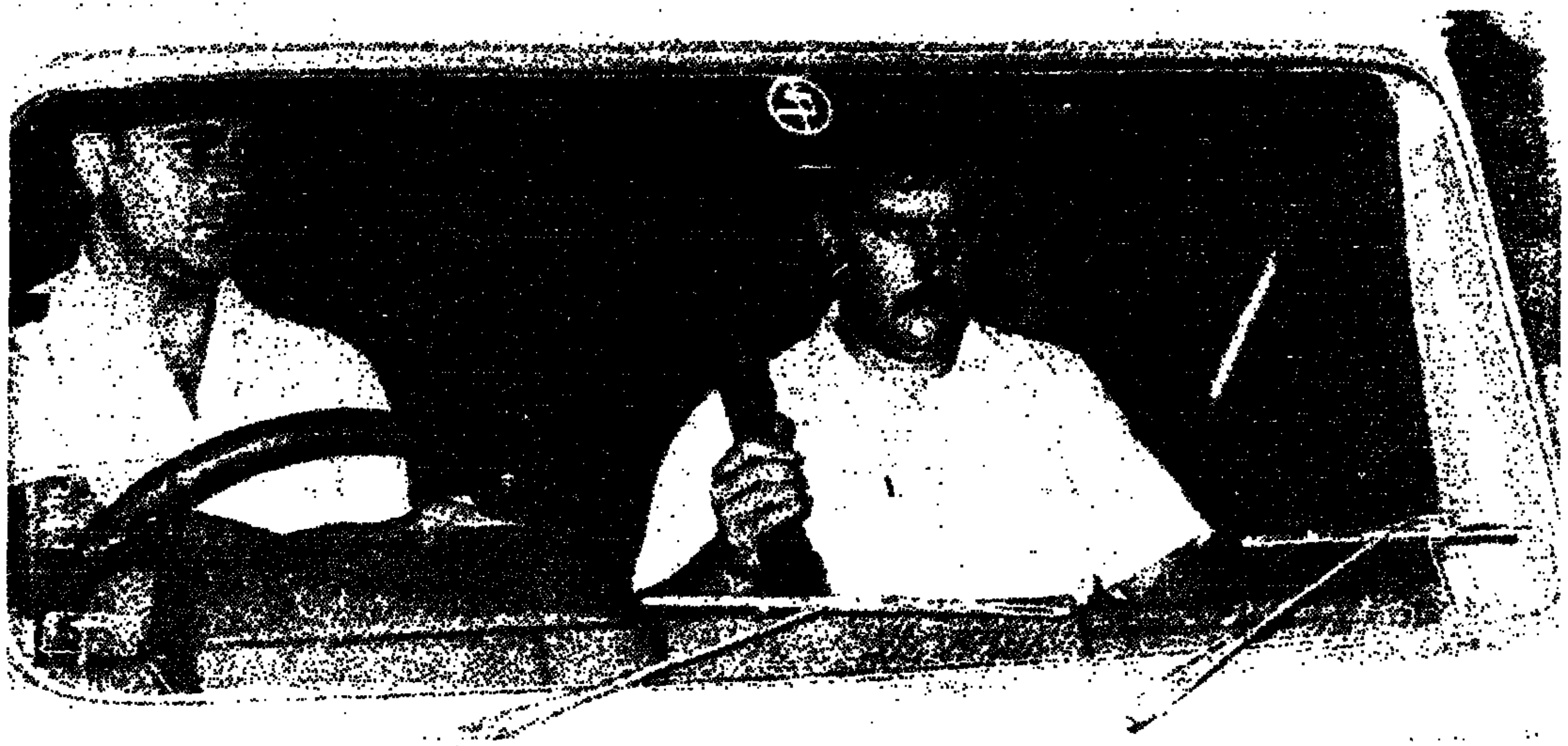
He was concentrating intently on Savage and he had only a split second to make a decision. He did not know if Savage spun round because of the gunfire from A and B at the garage.

After Savage's movement was demonstrated in court, Mr McGrory said it was just like a western gunfighter going for his pistol. That was odd, he said, because Savage was not armed.

Mr McGrory: "Whatever you or I may think we knew, the late Mr Savage knew something. He had no gun, no button, no bomb?"

D: "Correct, sir. But on the day I believed that he did."

The inquest continues


A guard holding a pump action shotgun in the blacked-out van taking the SAS witnesses to the Gibraltar inquest yesterday (Photograph: Tim Bishop)

Banker in court after commuters revolted

A City banker who triggered a commuters' revolt last January when his homeward bound train was stranded at Luton station in Bedfordshire was bound over yesterday to keep the peace.

Brian Jones, aged 53, of Moorfield Road, Rothwell, Kettering, shouted at other stranded passengers to block the doors of a train that could have taken them home, so that it was prevented from leaving the station. Many obeyed him and the incident flared into a battle with railway staff.

Jones's not guilty pleas to using threatening behaviour and behaving in a disorderly manner were accepted by Luton magistrates

Laser show

Jean-Michel Jarre, the rock musician, said last night that he hoped to re-apply to Newham council, east London, for permission to stage his music and laser extravaganza in Docklands this autumn. The council refused an entertainments licence earlier this week. He wants to stage a second show in Glasgow.

Legion deaths

The Health and Safety Executive said last night it would decide soon whether to bring prosecutions against the BBC after the deaths caused by an outbreak of legionnaires disease at Broadcasting House

Irish unveiling

A bronze lifesize statue by Marjorie Fitzgibbon of Eamonn Andrews, the broadcaster, was unveiled in his native Dublin by his friend and neighbour, Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish prime minister.

Title approved

The publishers of the *New Statesman and Society* yesterday failed in an attempt to gain a High Court ban on *The Sunday Times* calling one of its sections "New Society".

Drugs remand

Two men were remanded in custody until September 21 by Uxbridge magistrates yesterday charged with attempting to smuggle cocaine valued at between £2.5 million and £3 million at Heathrow Airport on September 10.

Car drowning

Ronald Sture, aged 32, a machine operator, of Southdown Close, Pembroke died yesterday after roping himself to his car steering wheel and driving off a jetty into the sea at Pembroke Dock in West Wales.

Quicker route to new roads

By Our Political Reporter

Steps which could significantly cut the time it takes to build new motorways, trunk roads and by-passes have been set in motion by Mr Paul Channon, the Secretary of State for Transport.

He has introduced measures which aim to halve the time it takes to prepare new projects for public planning inquiries. The move is part of a wider campaign to ease growing congestion on Britain's roads.

At present, it takes roughly 14 years for a new road to be completed from the moment it is envisaged. On average, six of those years are consumed by transport officials surveying the area in question, drawing up preferred and alternative routes, and generally preparing for the public inquiry. "If an inquiry lasts only one year it is neither here nor there. It's the time it takes preparing for the inquiry that delays everything", a Department of Transport source said.

Mr Channon has reorganized the department to give the task of preparation much greater priority. In future, it is likely to concentrate on fewer projects at any one time, but to devote far more manpower and more effort to each to speed up their progress.

It is also likely that instead of preparing up to five possible routes, officials may in future limit themselves to one or two. Mr Channon's move comes after lengthy battles to have new roads built, of which the most notorious example was the Okehampton by-pass in Devon. The scheme was first mooted in the late 1960s, the inquiry opened in 1979 and the road was finally ready this year.

● The Government and British Rail are making the wrong choice for the new Channel tunnel rail, road and coach terminus due to open in 1993, according to a paper from the Conservative Bow Group published yesterday.

Instead of Waterloo and King's Cross, the untapped potential of Willesden junction in north-west London represents a "dream opportunity" for urban regeneration and a cheaper, more efficient site for the Channel tunnel terminus, the paper says.

All Change for Europe (Bow Publications; £8).

Scottish new town debts condemned

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

An all-party committee of MPs yesterday published a damning report on the financial management of five Scottish new towns and said the Government would have to write off up to £800 million of debt.

It also doubted whether the development corporations in Cumbernauld, East Kilbride, Glenrothes, Irvine and Livingston had achieved their objectives of attracting and retaining industry and creating jobs despite their many advantages.

The new towns were all established between 1947 and 1966 on the assumption that loans for their capital programmes from the National Loans Fund would eventually be repaid from rising asset values.

By April last year, only £18 million of the £852 million advanced had been repaid and "continuing revenue deficits mean that it is unlikely that the new towns will ever be in a position fully to clear these loans", the Commons Public Accounts Committee said.

"We are concerned that the Exchequer is faced with writing off very large amounts of new town debt, possibly as high as £800 million."

The MPs were "very concerned at the nature and extent of the inherent weaknesses" in the running of the new towns by the development corporations and the Scottish Industry Department (IDS) which an internal financial management survey identified in 1986. "These included criticisms of outdated structures and systems, and inadequacies in financial control, budgetary arrangements and performance measurement."

A financial reconstruction which included writing off some of the existing debt was now being prepared. "We strongly emphasize the importance of achieving a financial structure for the new towns that maintains effective operational and financial disciplines, clearly identifies the extent of any necessary write-off, and establishes the extent of and limits to any future call on the Exchequer", they said.

The committee also condemned the IDS for the way it had given four of the new towns £60 million in grants to pay the interest charges on loans. None had made provision for repayment.

"We were very disturbed at the lack of financial discipline which these arrangements exhibited", the MPs said.

The report states that since 1978-79 1,391 firms had moved into the new towns but 975 had closed down or moved away. Between 1985 and 1987, 15,700 jobs had been created but 10,000 had been lost. "Overall the unemployment rate is not markedly better than the Scottish average, despite the new towns' advantages."

Public Accounts Committee: Review of Scottish New Towns (Stationery Office; £3.90).

SNP starts 'can pay, won't pay' drive

By Kerry Gill

The Scottish National Party will begin recruiting an "advance army" of 100,000 Scots next week who will sign a pledge not to pay the forthcoming community charge. The campaign, to be subtitled Can Pay, Won't Pay, will amass 100,000 people prepared to suffer civil penalties such as impounding of property and wages rather than pay the tax when it comes into operation in April.

Mr Alex Salmond, the party's deputy leader, said last night that each of those prepared to join the advance army will be asked to sign a form pledging their support.

It is seen as a moral and political challenge to the Government in which those making the pledge will be seen to "stand shoulder to shoulder" with those members of the public who cannot afford the new tax.

Mr Salmond, speaking after delegates at the Scottish National Party's conference at Inverness, almost unanimously backed a policy of non-payment, said: "We will be targeting those people in Scotland who can afford to pay this tax and can afford to pay the penalties and who can show their solidarity with people who cannot pay". He said later that to politicians like himself, any attempt by the Government to impose penal penalties rather than take civil action would be like "martyrdom without dying" – in other words, a political godsend to the SNP's campaign.

At present the civil penalties for non-payment are small: a 10 per cent surcharge on the outstanding tax, about £25, and the costs of summary warrant action reckoned to be between £20 to £40. Effectively, it could mean sheriff's officers removing Mr Salmond's television set to pay for the debt. The conference debate saw only one dissenter from a non-payment policy as Mr Ian Goldie, a national council member, said the campaign might only serve to "make people feel good".

Other speakers condemned the poll tax as immoral, imposed by a Government without any mandate from the Scottish people.

Mr Ron Munn, finance convener of Grampian Regional Council, brandished a silver paper spanner declaring it signified what a tax should be: "A means by which the Government can raise money to carry out it obligations".

He then held up a silver paper sword to illustrate the poll tax. "The poll tax is a weapon, a sword, an ancient and cruel tax dug up by Mrs Thatcher from a primeval swamp."

Mr Munn then snapped the sword to applause from about 500 delegates after pledging he would not pay the poll tax.

Mr Jay Smith, a Dunfermline district councillor, also pledged not to pay, saying: "You are either with us or against us".

Today the SNP will challenge both the Labour Party and the Scottish TUC to give their support to the campaign of non-payment.

● Mrs Margaret Ewing, SNP parliamentary leader, urged the party to face up to the economic and political realities of the EEC.

On the eve of today's debate on Europe, she said the party must remind itself that it has a clear and unequivocal stance on EEC membership.

Independence within the EEC was the only way to lead Scotland out of a backwater.

Scottish education is in peril of being increasingly Anglicized, delegates were warned yesterday. The threat came from the planned introduction of school boards, described as a "Tory Trojan horse" to impose the English system. Mr Dan Hood, a member of the party's national executive committee and retired deputy principal of Dundee College of Commerce, said he was against them being answerable to a "colonial governor" appointed by an English government. "Only if Scottish parents are articulate and vigorous in their objections can we hope to prevent the rapid Anglicization of our whole Scottish education system." The conference passed a resolution regretting the decision to introduce school boards and saying that it was another attempt to increase central government control over Scottish education. A grouping of English parents might be able to cause the school to opt out and thereby adopt the English system , delegates were warned.

Hungary looks West for new aircraft

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

Hungary joined the growing list of East European nations turning their backs on Soviet aircraft-makers when Malev, its state airline, yesterday signed a contract to lease three Boeing 737-200s from GPA, the Irish aircraft rental company.

Despite strong pressure from Moscow, which has already seen East Germany and Poland turn to the West for replacements for their ageing fleet of Soviet-built jets, Malev chose GPA to lease three Boeings for delivery in November. Now Malev is close to signing another agreement for British-built BAe 146 four-engined aircraft to help expand its freighter operation.

Now even Aeroflot, the Soviet airline, is beginning to talk to Western aircraft-makers and hopes are rising that it, too, could be in the market for American or European aircraft.

● The transatlantic air fare war spread northwards yesterday as Wardair, the independent Canadian airline, launched an aggressive package of measures aimed at attracting business travel between Britain and Canada.

The airline is offering a free economy ticket for passengers buying a full-fare business class ticket. It has also introduced a business class excursion return fare of £750 between London and Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Winnipeg which it claims is 30 per cent cheaper than its rivals, as well as incentives to travel agents.

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Dog breeder's £1m

A dog breeder and war heroine who was beaten to death by burglars on her eighty-first birthday outside her country home in Hertfordshire has left £1 million in her will published today. Mrs Joan Macan, a widow, left £1,051,728 gross (£1,030,204 net), with £75,000 shared between three charities: the Royal Veterinary College Animal Care Trust, the Animal Health Trust and the Distressed Gentlefolk's Aid Association.

She left Mrs Rita Green, aged 40, her housekeeper, and Mrs Green's son Denis, aged 22, a kennelman, £25,000 each. Mrs Macan, of Moneybury Hill, Ashridge Park, was a breeder of labrador retrievers and worked with the French Resistance in the Second World War.

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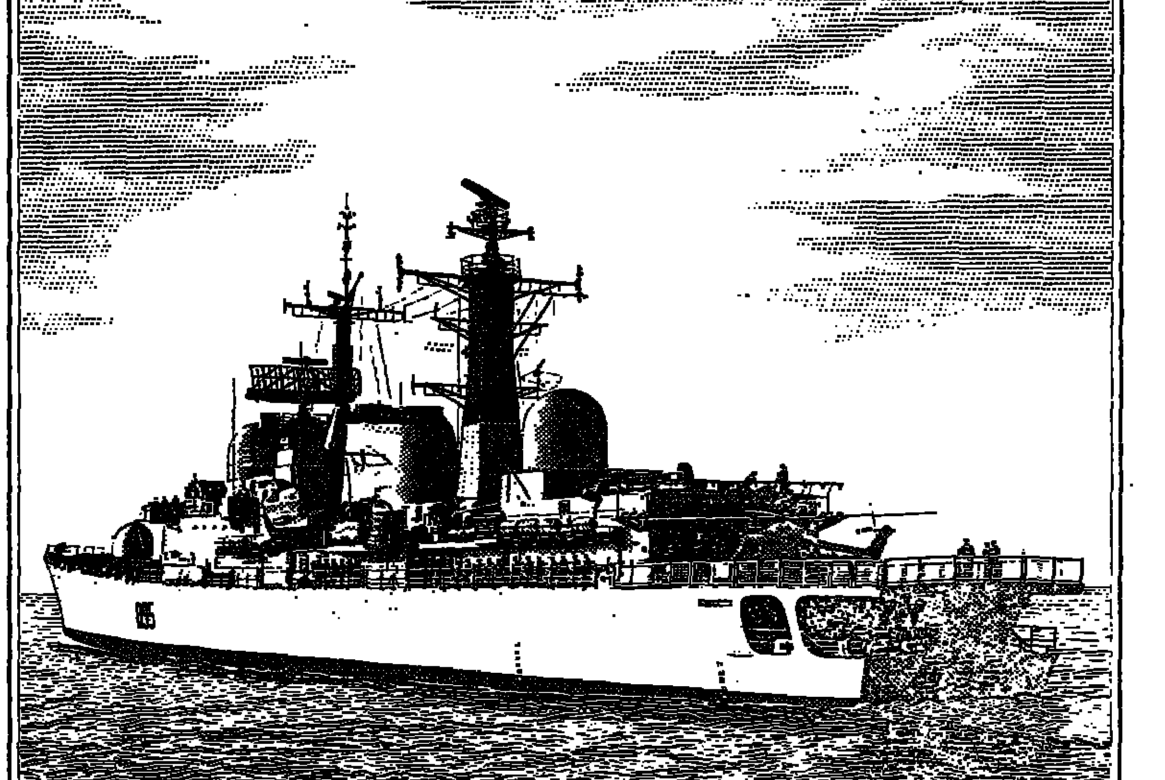

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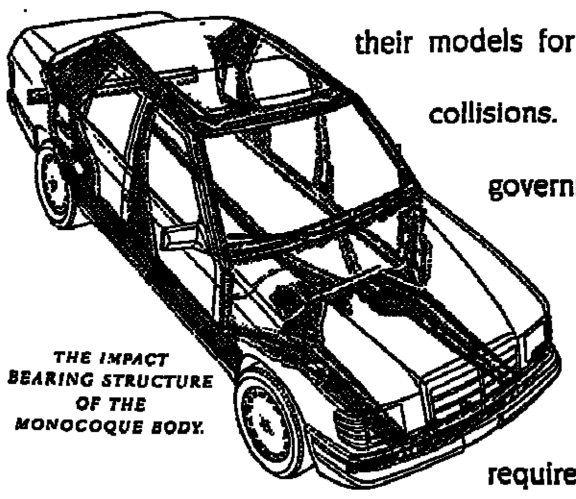
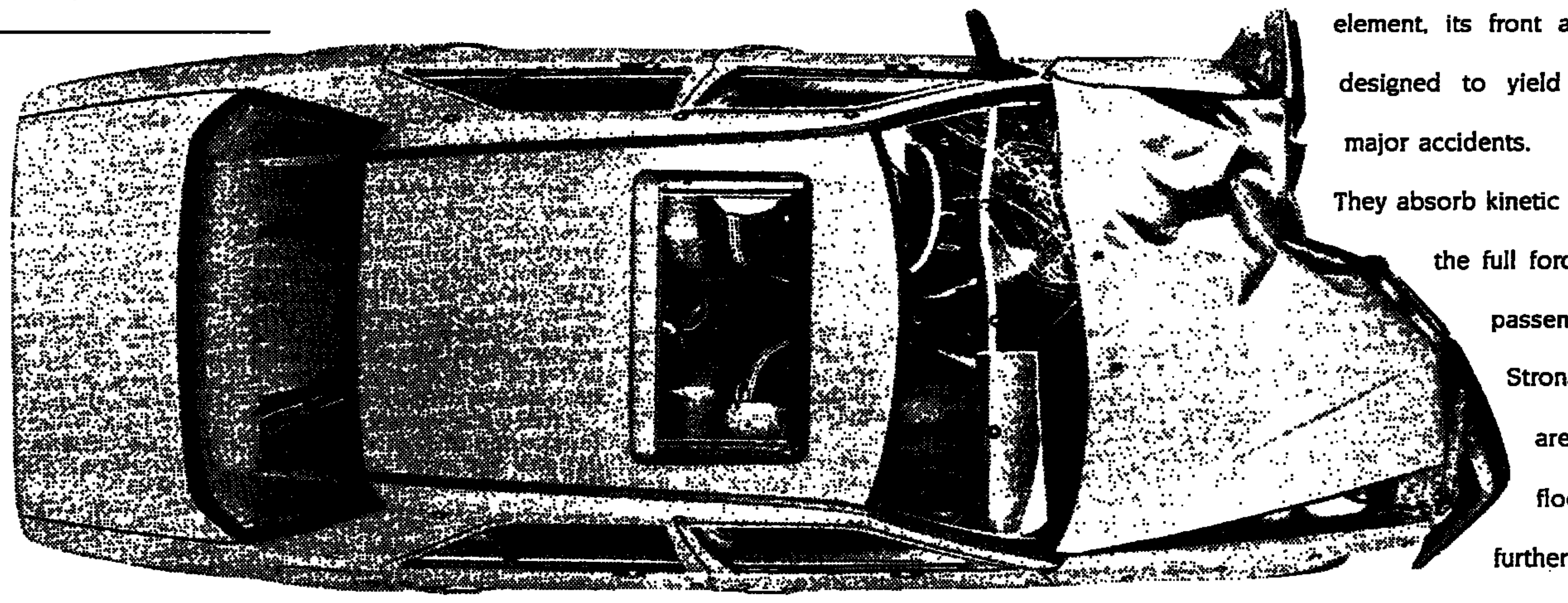

THE IMPACT BEARING STRUCTURE OF THE MONOCOQUE BODY.

It is a surprising fact that only Mercedes-Benz, of all the world's car manufacturers, routinely test their models for off-set frontal collisions. Why? Because government crash test legislation demands that car makers meet requirements only for 100% frontal collisions – so that is the routine they all follow. Except Mercedes-Benz.

Their research shows that 40% off-set frontal collisions happen three times more frequently, so Mercedes-Benz design briefs demand that all chassis and crumple zones be tailored specifically to disperse the unique stresses of both types of collision. Which means impact energy is absorbed progressively and displaced into forked cross-members mounted onto extremely rigid sidewall and transmission tunnel structures. The energy is therefore diluted by being transmitted and absorbed in three different directions.

A CRASH TEST EVERY THREE DAYS



Mercedes-Benz conduct a crash test every three days, on average. Because safety research is an integral part of the Mercedes-Benz design process, many tests are conducted on prototypes prior to full scale production of a new model.

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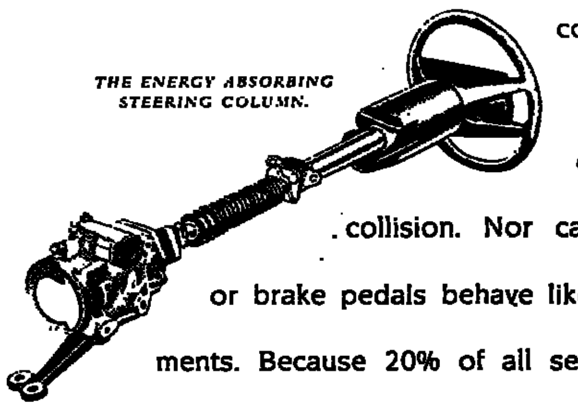
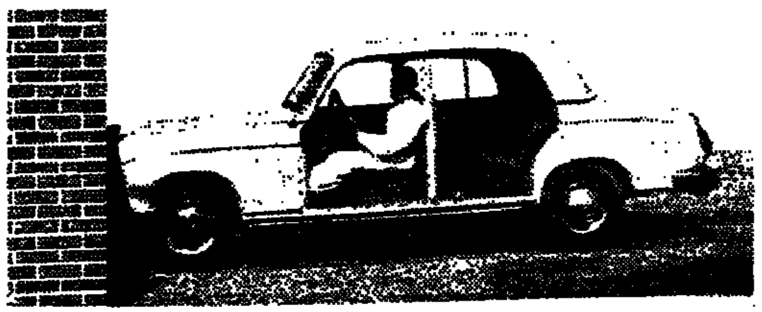
The four-part Mercedes-Benz steering system, as an example, is fitted with a distorting cup under the steering wheel, and a collapsible, corrugated column that will not intrude into the passenger compartment in either a head-on or off-set collision. Nor can the clutch or brake pedals behave like blunt instruments. Because 20% of all severe accident injuries are to the feet, the pedals are designed to swing away from the driver on impact.


THE ENERGY ABSORBING STEERING COLUMN.

THE FATHERS OF AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY

The history of Mercedes-Benz safety consciousness dates from 1931 when they developed independent front suspension to ensure safer roadholding. And as long as thirty-seven years ago, long before "crumple zone" and "safety cell" became part of car industry jargon, Mercedes-Benz patented the first impact-absorbing body shell. But rather than protect the patent in their own interests, Mercedes-Benz allowed it to be infringed in everybody's interests, so other car makers could incorporate the idea into their own body designs. A gesture that speaks for itself.

In 1959, Mercedes-Benz became the first manufacturer to crash test and roll-over test their cars.


SCIENTIFIC CRASH TESTING, CIRCA 1959

In that year, 80 were destroyed in the search for greater passenger security. Since then, no car maker has placed greater emphasis on crash testing, and many others reap the benefits simply by adopting the results of Mercedes-Benz pioneering research.

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Computer-aided design, combined with extensive use of high strength, low-alloy steel, ensures that Mercedes-Benz monocoque body shells are not only light, but are also outstandingly strong. Such a highly rigid shell is the basic safety element, its front and rear sections designed to yield progressively in major accidents.

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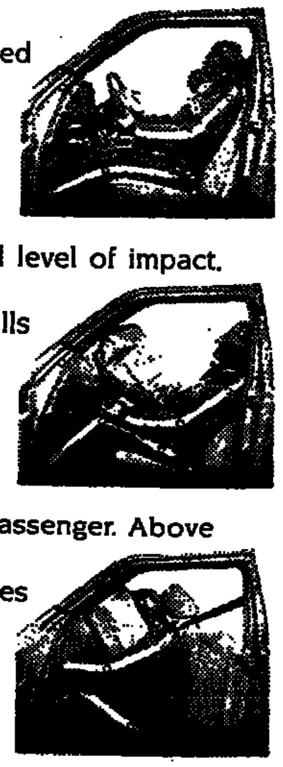
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All inertia-reel safety belts fitted to the front seats of Mercedes-Benz cars, have electronic belt tensioners as standard. Above a predetermined level of impact, the tensioner is activated and pulls the belt taut around the body in milliseconds, inhibiting forward movement of driver and front seat passenger. Above certain speeds, however, impact injuries can still occur no matter how sophisticated the seat belts being worn. Therefore, Mercedes-Benz also offer an electronically controlled airbag that is neatly stowed in the steering wheel hub. This innovatory safety feature has been available since 1981 and is already fitted to 350,000 Mercedes-Benz cars. A normally invisible guardian, it inflates in milliseconds, under impact, to cushion the driver's head and greatly reduce the risk of chest injuries. Further proof that the Mercedes-Benz commitment to safety is uncompromising, unchallenged and continues unabated.

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Women setting low target as lawyers, student survey finds

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Women law undergraduates set themselves lower professional targets than men and expect lower salaries as solicitors, a survey of law students published yesterday says.

The survey, of 2,000 undergraduates at 13 universities in England, shows that of students intending to become solicitors, women expect much lower earnings throughout their career, have lower partnership expectations and are more content than men are to go to a medium-sized or small firm.

About 31 per cent of women, but only 18 per cent of men, expect to earn a starting salary of less than £9,000, it found. Their expectations remain consistently lower than their male counterparts.

The survey, by Gouldens, the firm of solicitors, shows that nearly half the male students, 46 per cent, expect to be earning more than £20,000 after five years, but only 20 per cent of women feel as confident of their earning potential.

Similarly, 6 per cent of women thought they would never become partners, while only 1 per cent of men felt the same way.

Miss Clare Deanesly, Gouldens partner in charge of articled clerk recruitment, said: "We were surprised by the lack of confidence shown by some female law students, although law firms must shoulder some of the blame for failing to encourage and promote adequate career structures".

The survey also sounds a warning note for solicitors' firms seeking to ease the difficulties in attracting enough students to meet the demand for articled clerks.

It shows that of 2,000 undergraduates who were reading law, history, or economics, only just over 40 per cent intended to become solicitors and a further 6 per cent wanted to go to the Bar.

Nearly all — 96.5 per cent — of those potential lawyers were reading law, but as many as 34 per cent of law students wanted an alternative career; and many of those (40 per cent) cited the attitude or image of the profession as a dissuading factor. A further 19 per cent not entering the profession felt it lacked the necessary career scope.Miss Deanesly said: "A surprisingly high number of students volunteered the information that the further training involved had discouraged them, while a considerable proportion felt that the life of a solicitor was boring, monotonous or office-bound".

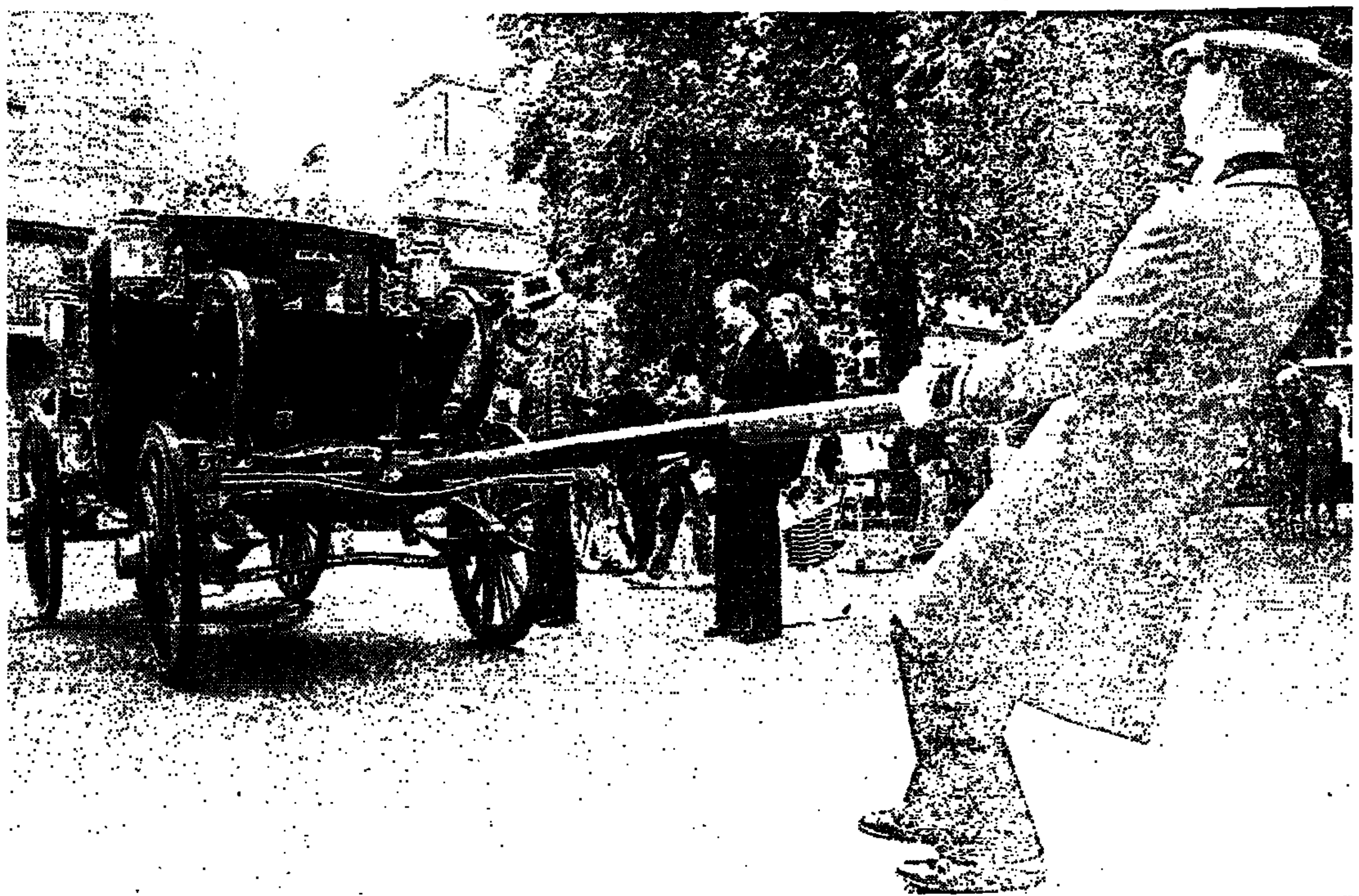
Even among those entering the profession, 22 per cent of women felt it had a pompous and pedantic image.

Another alarming finding was that 32 per cent of men and 27 per cent of women did not see the law as a long-term career and believed they would leave the profession after qualifying.

"The continuity of private practice seems to be increasingly subject to the external pressures of financial reward elsewhere and job mobility across the professions." Law firms would have to work increasingly hard at generating loyalty among their recruits, she added.

A prime reason for choosing to be a solicitor was financial reward, cited by 67 per cent of the men. More than 60 per cent also cited the career structure of the profession.

New coach rolls into the Royal Mews



The first state coach to be built outside Britain being eased into the Royal Mews at Buckingham Palace yesterday by Mr Nigel Day, a rough rider. The State Opening of Parliament will be the first public engagement for the resplendent Australian State Coach, which was transported on a jumbo jet from Sydney. Mr Jim Frecklington, the designer, and his team of craftsmen took 12 months to build the £120,000 coach, which is a gift from Australia and is modelled on the Irish State Coach. Mr Frecklington said: "It is the only coach to have hydraulic suspension. It has electric windows and a heater which will be very important on winter engagements." Weighing three tons and built from Australian hardwood and aluminium, the only non-Australian materials are its four Waterford crystal lamps.

(Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Minister calls for 'designer' sentence

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Mr John Patten, Minister of State at the Home Office, called yesterday for new ways of dealing with less serious offenders.

He wants the probation service to move centre-stage to help to end prison overcrowding by encouraging the punishment of more offenders in the community.

Mr Patten told the Association of Chief Officers of Probation in Leeds: "Severe penalties must continue to be available for those who commit serious and violent crimes: some people must stay in prison for a long time.

"But we do need to develop existing and new ways of punishing in the community those who commit less serious crimes."

That lies behind the Green Paper on punishment, custody and the community, whose implications Mr Patten set about selling to probation chiefs.

He called on the probation service to overcome a misconception sometimes held that it operated a form of "private justice", partly because what it did was not known or not properly understood.

"If people are being sent to prison simply because the public and sentencers do not know or do not trust what the probation service does, then we are all the losers", Mr Patten said.

He said the probation service must come to terms with the ideas of punishment and control as well as helping and reforming. Those were not conflicting ends, but complemented each other.

Mr Patten said that much of the increase in the use of the probation order had been at the expense of the fine and not custody. Use of the community service order had also increased mainly at the expense of the fine.

When an offender was at risk of custody, the social inquiry report by a probation officer should offer the court a comprehensive individualized programme — a designer sentence.

"In this way sentencers will see how the offender's time will be filled, that punishment is combined with reparation and with a constructive approach to the future."

He called on the probation service to change its language. "Most people in the world outside probation quite naturally use words like 'punishment', 'control', 'tough and demanding'. They prefer 'offender' to 'client'. They are surprised when probation officers do not, and the seeds of confusion are sown."

Last night, chief probation officers welcomed moves to reserve imprisonment only for the most serious and dangerous offenders, with supervision in the community becoming more central in the courts' range of options.

Weekend food prices

Beef and pork top supermarket offer

Beef and pork prices are generally stable and there are some good value special offers at supermarkets this week.

Tesco topside of beef is £2.09 a lb. fresh lamb kebabs are £2.9 and fresh standard chicken is 65p a lb. Sainsbury's rib of beef on the bone is down 18p to £1.84 a lb.

Lamb shoulder is 78p a lb. Presto pork chops are £1.28. British beef steak and kidney £1.42, and British roasting beef (boneless chuck) is £1.78.

It continues to be a good time to bulk buy British lamb for the freezer. The quality is good and prices are reasonable.

The range is likely to be between 99p and £1.25 a lb but it could be 89p at some multiple chain butchers.

Asda fresh chicken is 59p a lb. boneless pork shoulder 99p and pork spare rib chops 89p. Bejam's 4lb pack of mince is £2.99 a pack.

Safeway is selling fresh grouse suitable for casserole (year-old birds) for £3.19 each and the first of its wood pigeons are £1.15 each. Home-grown sweetcorn is now in peak condition and is this week's star buy at 15p-30p each. Marrows at 20p-45p each are good value.

Stick beans are 35p-65p a lb, French beans 50p-75p, broccoli is 40p-80p and carrots are 10p-25p.

Spinach is 30p-45p a lb, parsnips 20p-45p, courgettes 45p-60p, potatoes 9p-16p, primo cabbage 14p-20p, and superb cauliflowers are 25p-50p each.

English crisp and Cos lettuces are between 35p and 45p a head. English and French iceberg 40p-75p, English, Dutch and Belgian round lettuce 18p-28p a head.

Hothouse tomatoes at 30p-52p a lb; spring onions at 20p-40p a bunch; celery at 30p-50p a head; and watercress at 30p-40p a bunch are all in good supply.

Of the wide variety of plums available English Victorias at 30p-55p a lb and French President at 40p-55p are probably the best buys. Newcomers this week are English Warwickshire droopers at 25p-50p.

The American black plums are magnificent but expensive at 90p-£1.40.

English Discovery apples at 30p-50p a lb are near the end of their season but Worcesters and Katy 28p-50p a lb are plentiful.

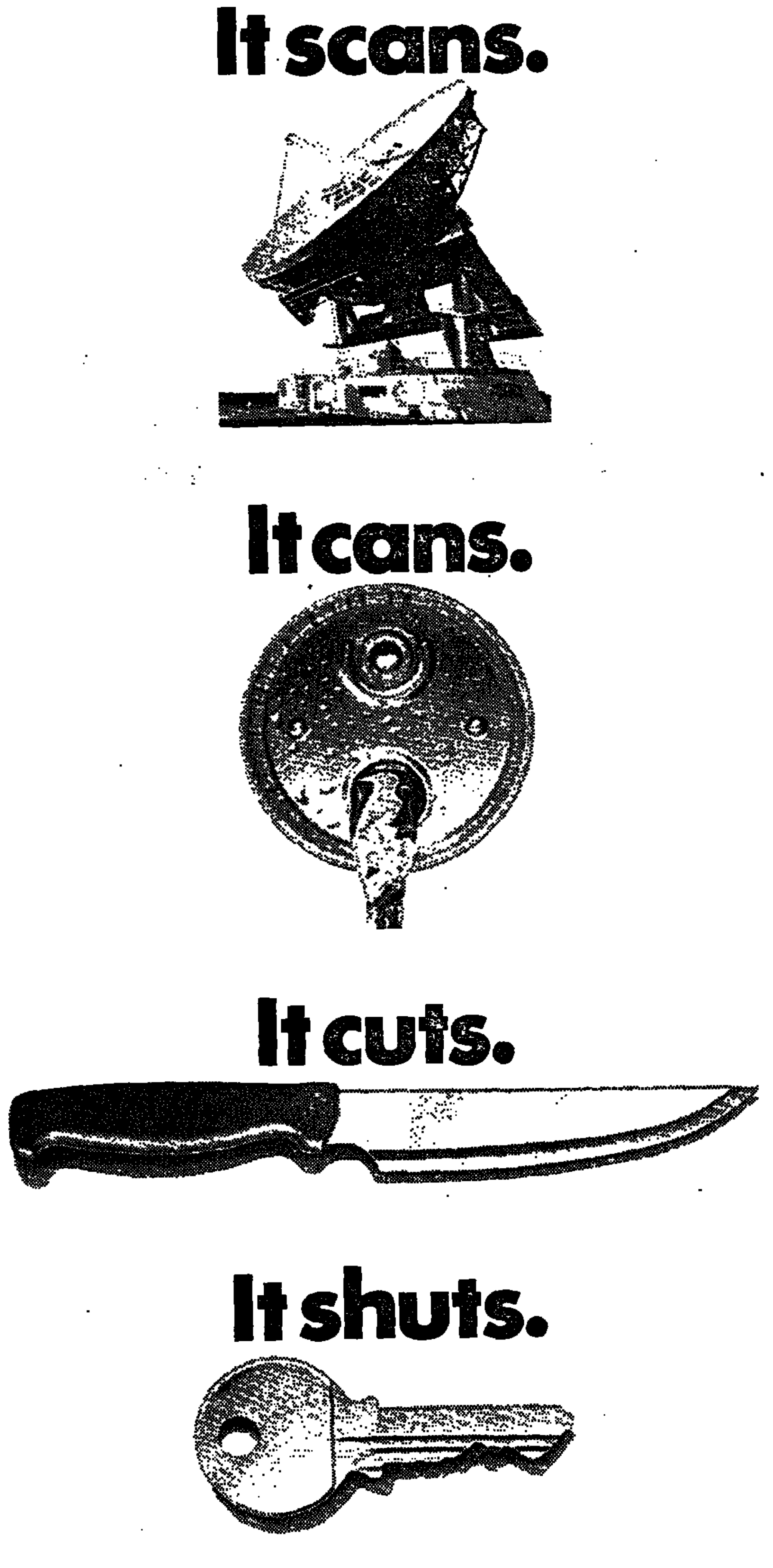
New season French Golden Delicious and Royal Galas cost between 30p-50p a lb. There are also apples from New Zealand, the Cape and Australia. English Conference pears are 30p-50p a lb.

The best citrus fruit are oranges at 8p-25p each, lemons at 12p-18p each and grapefruit from 15p each.

American blueberries are 75p to £1 a half lb. Bananas at 30p-50p a lb are superb and let us hope the hurricane in the West Indies will not affect future supplies.

Pineapples at 50p to £2 each, Kiwi fruit at 14p-24p each and mangoes at 45p-90p each are all excellent.

Of the wide selection of grapes available, the Greek Thompson seedless and the Italian Italias are particularly good value between 45p and 85p a lb.



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Palestinian government-in-exile

Peres counting on Thatcher to keep cool over PLO plan

By Nicholas Beeston

The Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr Shimon Peres, said yesterday that he was counting on Mrs Margaret Thatcher to keep a "cool head" in Europe after Mr Yassir Arafat's visit to Strasbourg and his attempt to rally EEC support for a Palestinian government-in-exile.

Speaking at a press conference in London, Mr Peres said that he had raised the subject with the Prime Minister on Wednesday after Mr Arafat held talks with the French Foreign Minister, M Roland Dumas, and his Greek counterpart, Mr Karolos Papoulias.

In July, King Husain of Jordan handed over the administrative responsibility for the occupied terrirtories to the Palestine Liberation Organization. The PLO's parliament-in-exile, the Palestine National Council, will meet next month to decide whether to form a government to administer the area.

Mr Arafat is sounding out the international response to the idea of a government-in-exile and appeared to have a favourable reception by some European governments.

"My impression from talks with Mrs Thatcher is that she can keep a cool head in Europe", Mr Peres said, suggesting that Britain may be on a collision course with other European countries when EEC foreign ministers meet next month in Greece to debate Middle East policy.

The Foreign Office said that Britain had a long-standing policy of not recognizing governments, only states. He added that a meeting at ministerial level with Mr Arafat was out of the question, until he renounced the use of violence.

Mr Peres, who left for talks in the United States with President Reagan and the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Dr Ahmed Esmat Abdel-Meguid, went on to dismiss Mr Arafat's offer on Wednesday to hold direct talks with Israel. He said he still did not see a clear policy emerging from the Palestinian leadership. "The whole situation is overstated by hints and definitions of escapism," the Israeli minister said. "Let's talk sense openly."

Mr Peres is still hoping to persuade King Husain to become involved once more in the Middle East peace initiative so that Israel can start talks with a joint Palestinian-Jordanian delegation to negotiate a land-for-peace deal.

● **JERUSALEM:** The Israeli Prime Minister, Mr Yitzhak Shamir, said yesterday that he had received the impression, in his talks with Hungarian leaders in Budapest, that Israel and Hungary were moving towards the resumption of full diplomatic ties (David Bernstein writes).

In a telephone interview with Israel radio from Budapest, on the second day of his unofficial visit to Hungary, Mr Shamir said that, although "no timetable has been specified, my impression is that it will happen soon".

● **GAZA:** Israeli troops shot dead Rami Khalil Abu Samra, a Palestinian boy aged 10, after a petrol bomb exploded near an army patrol in the occupied Gaza Strip, a military spokesman said yesterday (Reuter reports).

Military sources said that his body was found at the entrance to the Salah al-Din mosque, from which the petrol bomb was thrown at an army vehicle on Wednesday night.

Palestinian witnesses said the boy was not involved in the attack and accused soldiers of chasing him into the mosque and firing at him from close range. The army spokesman said that the allegation was not true.

Pope issues Lesotho peace plea

From Michael Hornsby
Maseru

The Pope at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Maseru yesterday, blessing one of the injured.

The Pope called on the people of Lesotho to follow the path of love, reconciliation and non-violence yesterday and spoke at an open-air Mass of his sadness at the bloody end to the bus hijacking outside the British High Commission here on Wednesday.

The Pope, who is on a five-country tour of southern Africa, also visited the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Maseru, Lesotho's village-sized capital, and talked to 20 survivors of the hijacking. He gave each of them a rosary of white beads attached to a crucifix.

The appeal for peace came as the Lesotho Government late yesterday admitted that a fourth hijacker had died of his injuries after being captured.

Doctors at the hospital said that four badly mutilated bodies in the mortuary were those of the hijackers. Three bodies, lying on a stone floor, had serious bullet wounds in the head and stomach. A fourth on a trolley had deep gashes in the neck.

Two bus passengers out of 71 were killed in the incident, including a schoolgirl named as Limpho Makheta, aged 14.

All survivors say the final shoot-out took place in the grounds of the British High Commission, suggesting that anyone captured there should have been handed over to British authorities.

The British High Commissioner, Mr John Edwards, said that when the hijacked bus took up a position outside the High Commission at 5.30 pm on Tuesday, the Lesotho authorities had asked if security forces could be deployed on the premises.

He said he had regarded this as an "obvious and reasonable request" which he had granted without reference to London. All staff had been evacuated from the building.

A crack South African police anti-terrorist unit, supported by soldiers of the Royal Lesotho Defence Force, carried out the final assault.

The South African involvement was admitted officially for the first time yesterday by the Lesotho authorities. The Lesotho Government said that the end of the hijacking came when the bus "made for the gate" of the High Commission and the hijackers started firing from the bus. But survivors said yesterday that the shooting began once the bus was inside the Commission compound.

The unit formed almost by accident

From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg

The unit of the Special Task Force of the South African police which ended the hijack in Maseru is part of a crack force that was formed almost by accident.

It is made up of volunteers, all over 21, who receive training in physical and psychological warfare similar to that of the British SAS.

In 1974 a single gunman laid siege to the Israeli consulate in the centre of Johannesburg for 18 hours.

Dozens of untrained policemen, unfamiliar with terrorist situations, were sent to the scene and for hours blasted away at anything that moved. Many of them were firing rifles with police store labels still dangling from them.

An Israeli consulate security guard was killed and nearly a score of people in the streets were injured in the shooting. The police thought they were up against a gang of terrorists and were astonished when the man gave himself up.

The authorities realized that they needed a special unit to cope with similar incidents, and Brigadier Bert Wandrag was given the job. He is now a full general heading the security police.

A profile of the South African police, issued this year to mark the 75th anniversary of its formation, says the general visited several countries — among them, it is thought, Britain — to learn how they operated and trained special task forces.

Howe visit revives imperial memories

From Andrew McEwen, Zanzibar

A century after the "scramble for Africa" between European powers competing to carve up the continent, Sir Geoffrey Howe yesterday became the first British Foreign Secretary since independence to return to the spice island of Zanzibar, from which Britain planted its flag over much of East Africa.

He had come, he told Dr Omar Ali Juma, the Chief Minister, "to show that your old friends are also your true friends".

One of his predecessors, Lord Salisbury, wrote that when he left the Foreign Office in 1880 no one thought of Africa, and when he returned to it five years later the whole of Europe was quarrelling about it. Sir Geoffrey skirted round the subject yesterday, saying: "The people of Zanzibar were among Britain's first friends in East Africa."

A century on, British relics are fading rapidly. The house from which David Livingstone planned his fatal last expedition to search for the source of the Nile is now a modest commercial building.

A chipped plaque on the wall of a milk and soft drinks shop records that it was the British consulate from the 1830s to the 1870s. A more recent house still acts as the British headquarters, but no British diplomat is based there. Sir Geoffrey used it yesterday to meet the small British community.

For all its beauty, Zanzibar is in severe economic decline. The countries that exploited its strategic position are now among its main helpers.

While Sir Geoffrey brushes up the British connection, Tanzania's head of state, President Mwinyi, is abroad seeking assistance from Britain's 19th-century rival, Germany. Further aid has been promised by Chancellor Kohl.

WORLD ROUNDUP

Arias investigates Contra hospital

San José, Costa Rica — President Arias's office has ordered an investigation to find out how the United States Agency for International Development was able to build and operate a hospital for Nicaraguan Contras in the Costa Rican capital, San José (Tony Avirgan writes).

The hospital, half a mile from the President's office, was discovered by foreign journalists on Tuesday. Since President Arias came to office two years ago, he has maintained a policy of no facilities for Contras on Costa Rican soil.

The United States Embassy admitted that the agency had established the hospital in late July "in agreement with the Government of Costa Rica".

Pakistan aids POWs

Islamabad — The Pakistan Foreign Office confirmed yesterday that the Government was helping in the release of Soviet prisoners of war held by Afghan Mujahidin but denied that the prisoners were in Pakistan (Hasan Akhtar writes).

A spokesman was commenting on a report from Peshawar which claimed that Pakistan and the Soviet Union had agreed on the release of about 300 Soviet prisoners. A helicopter crew of six and a Soviet Air Force colonel captured after his aircraft was shot down over Pakistan had already been returned, the spokesman said.

Iraqi gas 'genocide'

Strasbourg — Despite denials from Baghdad that the Iraqi Army is using poison gases against fleeing Kurdish insurgents, the European Parliament yesterday accused Iraq of using chemical weapons to "exterminate the Kurdish population" (Richard Owen writes). In a vote passed 76-1, Euro-MPs said Iraqi policy "verges on genocide".

The resolution demanded an EEC arms and chemicals embargo on Iraq, and said that Iraqi policy had "led to the atrocious deaths of thousands of civilians ... and the destruction of thousands of Kurdish villages."

Walesa sees progress

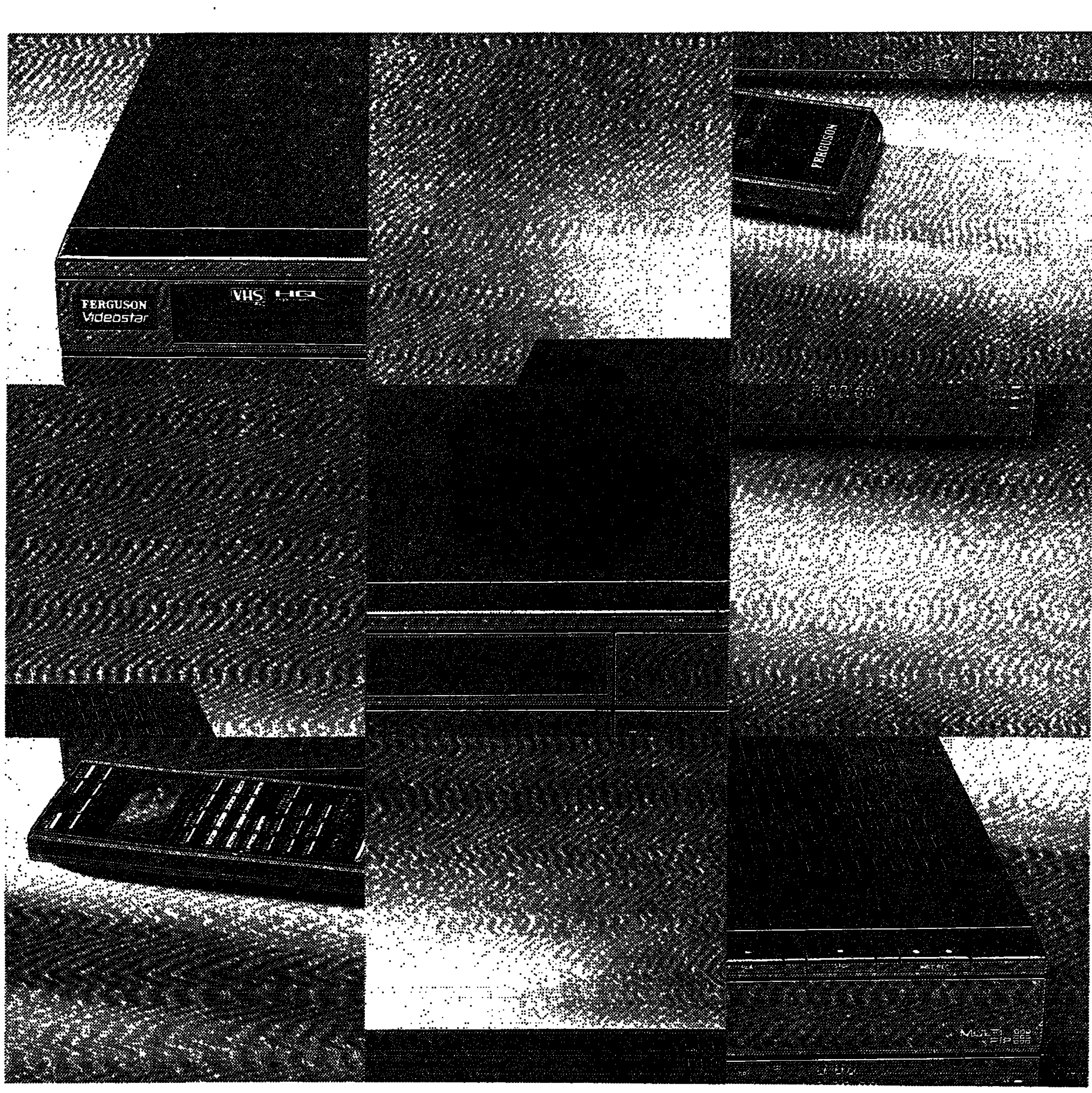
Warsaw (Reuter) — Mr Lech Walesa, the Solidarity leader, made progress yesterday in setting up reconciliation talks between the Polish authorities and the opposition, but insisted that his banned union must regain its freedom.

After four hours of talks with the Interior Minister, General Czeslaw Kiszczak, he said: "We stand by our main point, which I have always talked about — there is no freedom without Solidarity." There is to be another meeting today to set the agenda for full-scale negotiations between the Government, Solidarity, Church and opposition officials.

Hawke bans Fiji visit

Sydney — The Australian Prime Minister, Mr Bob Hawke, yesterday banned a visit to Fiji by his Foreign Minister, Senator Gareth Evans, after Fijian authorities refused to allow him to meet Dr Timoci Bavadra, the former Prime Minister deposed last year (Christopher Morris writes).

Australia has recently sought to rebuild relations with Fiji, which was declared a republic after the second of last year's two coups by Brigadier Sitiveni Rabuka. A meeting next week between Mr Hawke and Fiji's present Prime Minister, Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara, now seems in jeopardy.



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In the wake of Hurricane Gilbert

Shattered Jamaica counts the cost of a grim 'mashing up'

From Alan Tomlinson, Kingston

Shattered and still shaken by their mauling by the worst storm in local memory on Monday, Jamaicans have only one expression for the devastation wrought by Hurricane Gilbert – "mashed up." It is applied to every unhappy experience.

Howling across the island at speeds up to 170 miles an hour, Gilbert and the flooding caused by the rains it brought "mashed up" 100,000 homes.

One in five households is on the street, according to the Prime Minister, Mr Edward Seaga, who has appealed for $80 million (about £46 million) in emergency aid.

The view across the sprawling slums of west Kingston is of complete devastation. From above it resembles a honeycomb, with almost every house stripped of its roof.

The narrow streets are choked with debris. Amid the mess, men and women in filthy clothes, often their only remaining garments, struggle to salvage enough material to at least partly cover their homes.

Neighbours laboured all day with machetes to hack away the branches of a huge tree that had demolished the home of Mrs Doris Black, aged 72.

"Everything in sight is crushed. My wardrobe, my bed, it's all gone. We can't get anything out," she said. She is now staying with other homeless neighbours in a crowded room next door.

"I was trembling and crying for mercy and help," said Miss Audrey Gayle, aged 28, speaking of the worst moments of the storm's passage. Her tin roof was one of those that lifted off, joining hundreds of others swirling dangerously through the air. "They could have chop off most of us heads," said a wide-eyed Miss Carlene Hunter.

The twisted sheets of corrugated metal lie all over the city now, sometimes tied like bows around lamp-posts by the mighty storm. Trees are down everywhere, draped with the knotted spaghetti of fallen electricity cables.

"Everything mashed up and blown away," lamented Mrs Dinah Nam, aged 20. "Me children's clothes are gone ... What a sufferation."

West Kingston is by no means the worst hit part of the capital. The parishes of Portland, St Mary, and St Thomas appear to have suffered most.

Windows have been blown in at banks, offices, and hotels in the commercial district of New Kingston, but most structures seem sound.

Norman Manley International Airport is badly buffeted. The control tower windows blew in and rain shorted radar equipment. Small planes have been flipped over or tossed like toys into the branches of trees.

Elsewhere in the country, entire villages had been swept away, Mr Seaga said after he made an aerial survey of the island on Wednesday.

There is no official figure yet, but 19 dead is the number most often repeated. One man was slashed under the arm by flying glass and bled to death as the howling winds prevented help from reaching him. A falling tree dashed a baby from its father's arms. Three youngsters were swept to their deaths by a flash flood. An unknown number died when the roof fell in at a school where they sheltered.

In a population estimated at two million, about 280,000 people spent the first two nights after the storm in public shelters. But by Wednesday many were drifting back to their devastated homes, discouraged by a lack of even basic needs.

Gradually some services are being restored. International telephone lines are open, although the internal system is still chaotic, and water has returned to about a quarter of the capital.

Elsewhere tankers are the only source of uncontaminated fluid. Power remains out and it may be weeks before it is safe to switch it on again.

A dusk-to-dawn curfew appears to have put an end to looting in the darkened city. Police are reported to have shot dead three looters.

Some residents who ventured out in the mistaken belief that the hurricane was over were caught in the second blast of raging wind as the swirling storm closed its vicious circle.

Trapped, they crouched in doorways, their heads between their knees, until the second assault was over and Gilbert went on its way to wreak havoc elsewhere.

Dingo baby couple cleared

Michael and Lindy Chamberlain emerging triumphantly from the Northern Territory Court of Criminal Appeal, where their convictions in Australia's dingo baby case were quashed yesterday after a six-year battle to clear their names. It was the same court in which Mrs Chamberlain was convicted in 1982 of murdering her baby, Azaria, although she maintained the child had been taken by a dingo, or wild dog, from a tent at Ayers Rock.

It took only 10 minutes inside the packed court in Darwin for the three judges to hand down the final verdict (Christopher Morris writes). Chief Justice Austin Asche said: "We find the original trial is now attended with sufficient doubt to justify this court in quashing the convictions. Not to do so would be unfair and would allow an unacceptable risk of perpetuating a miscarriage of justice".

Mrs Chamberlain smiled, then dissolved into tears. Her husband, who was found guilty in 1982 of being an accessory, also wept as friends rushed forward to hug and kiss them.

But despite the legal victory, which has left the couple with debts of almost £1 million, the fight goes on, this time for compensation. As well as spending 3½ years of her original life sentence in jail, Mrs Chamberlain endured two inquests, a seven-week trial, two appeals and a Royal Commission inquiry.

Kremlin admits new Armenian protest strikes

By Our Foreign Staff

A new wave of strikes and demonstrations by Soviet Armenians has broken out in the Armenian capital, Yerevan, and in the enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh, which the protesters want transferred from Azerbaijan control.

Mr Gennady Gerasimov, the Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman, confirmed the protest action during a news conference in Moscow yesterday.

Asked by Western journalists for details of the Yerevan demonstrations and strike action by the Armenian majority in Stepanakert in Nagorno-Karabakh, Mr Gerasimov replied: "There are strikes in Stepanakert, but not in Yerevan. But in Yerevan there are demonstrations at Opera Square." He did not elaborate.

Armenian activists have said that a strike is planned in Yerevan today.

Reports reaching Moscow from Stepanakert said that the town's factories had closed and that public transport was at a standstill in the third wave of strikes since February. Only food stores were open. The strike apparently began on Monday and was due to last for a week as part of the campaign for the incorporation of Nagorno-Karabakh into Armenia.

The strikers are also demanding that the authorities evacuate to other Azerbaijani regions about 2,000 Azerbaijanis who had fled to Nagorno-Karabakh from Armenia as a result of inter-ethnic unrest in which more than 30 people have died.

Mr Ambartsum Galastian, an Armenian nationalist spokesman and one of 11 leaders of the "Karabakh Committee", said by telephone from Yerevan that a rally attended by 100,000 people in Opera Square had voted for a day-long strike in solidarity with Nagorno-Karabakh.

Armenians in Stepanakert are opposed to Moscow's decision to allocate 3 million roubles (about £3 million) to build houses for Azerbaijanis in the Nagorno-Karabakh city of Shusha.

In addition, they are demanding that eight Armenians arrested in recent months for possession of arms, and who are being held in Shusha, be tried by either an Armenian or Russian court and not by the Azerbaijan authorities.

Moscow (Reuter) – Mr Mikhail Gorbachov yesterday went on a pilgrimage to the Siberian village of Shushenskoye where Lenin spent three years in exile. During his tour he said one worker urged him to "open fire at headquarters" to end resistance to change. "You cannot apply the methods of 1937," he replied, in a clear allusion to Stalin's purges of that year.

The strikes come less than two months after the Praesidium of the Supreme Soviet rejected demands for the reincorporation of Nagorno-Karabakh into Armenia and approved a series of measures to put an end to unrest in the region.

Those measures included sending troop reinforcements into Stepanakert and Yerevan, calling on local authorities to force workers to return to their jobs, and the allocation of funds for development and professional training in Nagorno-Karabakh.

Papandreou seeks divorce after his wife's outburst

From Mario Modiano, Athens

Mr Andreas Papandreou, the ailing Greek Prime Minister, whose idyll with an attractive airline stewardess is overshadowing public concern about his impending heart operation in London, made it officially known yesterday that he wants to divorce Margaret, his wife of 37 years and mother of his four children.

Mr Sotiris Kostopoulos, the chief government spokesman, prompted by reporters' questions, said: "Certainly, when the Prime Minister returns home, divorce proceedings will be initiated".

He did not say if Mr Papandreou, aged 69, will marry Mrs Dimitra Liani, aged 34, who has been at his bedside since he entered a London hospital three weeks ago.

Greek officials said Mr Papandreou suffered from a narrowing of the aorta and Mr Magdi Yacoub, the eminent heart surgeon, would perform an operation next week to replace a valve. The Prime Minister's condition has been described as serious but improving steadily.

Mr Kostopoulos again rejected calls by the Opposition for appointment of an acting Prime Minister until Mr Papandreou was fit again. He insisted that the Government was working "like clockwork" under Mr Papandreou's instructions. There was no need for replacement.

Mrs Dimitra Liani: At the Prime Minister's bedside.

Photographs of the emaciated Prime Minister holding hands tenderly with Mrs Liani, during his daily walk in the grounds of Harefield Hospital in north London, have dominated the front pages of Greek newspapers.

This evidently intended acknowledgement of his romance was seen as a reply to a public outburst by his estranged American-born wife, put out in the name of her "entourage", blaming his present friends for the poor state of his health and deploring "all these immoralities".

Mr Papandreou was aged 30 and a junior academic at Minnesota University when he met the then Miss Margaret Chant, 25, in a dentist's waiting room in 1949. After a brief separation, during which she married and divorced, they married in 1951.

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Gandhi suffers severe blow in attempt to curb press

By Anatol Lieven

Mr Rajiv Gandhi has suffered one of the worst blows of his period in office as India's Prime Minister and it is entirely his own fault.

That is the consensus in the overwhelming majority of Indian newspapers. The journalists concerned may be biased: the cause of Mr Gandhi's discomfort is a press Bill which is aimed directly at their freedoms.

However, they have been joined in their criticism by much of India's educated classes and professions. All over India, bar associations, students and teachers have been calling strikes and holding protest meetings to condemn the Bill.

The Bill was placed before the Lok Sabha, or lower house of the Indian Parliament, on September 2. No prior notification was given and, thanks to the huge majority of Mr Gandhi's Congress (I) Party in Parliament, the Bill went straight through. Only then did journalists learn its provisions, and uproar broke out.

The law would make the defamation rules much stricter. The clause protecting a journalist who publishes something believing it "in good faith" to be true is removed, and the scope of the offence is much extended.

The burden of proving that an allegation is true is shifted to the journalist, who must be able to produce original documentary evidence, a copy will not do. The penalty for a first offence is a heavy fine or three months in jail; for a second offence, six months.

Comparisons are being made with the repressive measures of Mrs Indira Gandhi's emergency, which left deep scars in India.

The Bill is widely seen as a personal response by Mr Gandhi to the press harassment he has suffered in connection with the Bofors affair – the rumour that members of Mr Gandhi's entourage, or even the Prime Minister himself, may have received "commissions" from the Swedish armaments firm in return for a lucrative contract.

This corruption allegation has been made the centrepiece of the strategy of Mr V.P. Singh, the former Congress (I) minister who is now Mr Gandhi's most dangerous rival in the opposition.

The press campaign over the Bofors issue has been led by the *Indian Express*, owned by an old ally of Mr Singh's in the business world and edited by a famous investigative journalist and implacable enemy of the Gandhi family, Mr Arun Shourie. Press support for Mr Shourie has not always been strong, but Mr Gandhi's present move is seen as an attack on the press as a whole.

The rally against the Bill in Delhi called by a co-ordinating committee of senior journalists was attended by such determinedly pro-government figures as Mr M.J. Akhbar, editor of the Calcutta *Telegraph*, and Mr Girilal Jain, of *The Times of India*. A press strike was overwhelmingly successful.

In the face of this barrage of criticism from supporters, Mr Gandhi backed down, thereby only confirming the impression of bad judgement. He called for negotiations with the press – this has been rejected by the various press bodies – and did not put the Bill before India's upper house, the Rajya Sabha. If it does not pass into law within six months, it will lapse.

Opposition sympathizers are saying that the overwhelming criticism of Mr Gandhi's action from within the educated classes means that, "barring a miracle", Congress (I) will lose the general elections due by the end of next year. They say that Mr Gandhi's action has proved to the country that he has something to hide over Bofors.

Other analysts, however, advise caution. Mr Pran Chopra, of the Centre for Policy Research in Delhi, pointed out the deep divisions within the Indian opposition.

A new party, the Samajwadi Janata Dal (People's Socialist League, or SJD) is trying to embrace four national parties, but these are themselves internally divided.

One important split is between two leaders of the Janata Party, Mr Chandra Shekhar, former national president of the party, and Mr Ramakrishna Hegde, Chief Minister of the southern state of Karnataka, who resigned recently over a telephone-tapping scandal.

Mr V.P. Singh, provisionally named as president of the SJD, has not aligned himself formally with either faction. He is believed, however, to be closer to Mr Hegde. Mr Chandra Shekhar has in the past shown jealousy of the prestige Mr V.P.Singh has gained in the opposition in the 18 months since leaving the Congress (I).

Mr Hegde and leaders of his Janata faction are due to meet in Bangalore on September 30 to discuss merging with the SJD. The meeting could be crucial in deciding if Janata will remain united and how much of a chance the opposition has of breaking Congress's grip on government.

Burmese protest at home and abroad

A Burmese student living in Japan shouting anti-government slogans during a rally outside his country's embassy in Tokyo, timed to coincide with yesterday's march in Rangoon.

Rangoon (AP) – Tens of thousands of demonstrators again filled the streets of Rangoon yesterday and Burmese opposition leaders appealed for restraint by students seeking the Government's violent overthrow.

Sources said two student groups had asked for weapons on Wednesday from the US Embassy. One group said it had 5,000 people ready to take up arms. An embassy official told them the United States could offer only moral support, the sources said. Some students have openly called for volunteers to be trained in military tactics.

Student-led street protests have forced concessions from President Maung Maung's one-party Government, including a call for multi-party elections by the end of October. But the opposition demands an interim government to supervise elections.

Yesterday's demonstration included several thousand high school students. A one-legged man with a crutch led about 50 ill-clad, apparently homeless men carrying a banner that said "Pavement Dwellers Suicide Squad." The disabled man said: "We are prepared to die for democracy. We have nothing to lose."

Rangoon newspapers reported yesterday that Captain Sai Win Kyaw, of the 22nd Light Infantry Brigade, said at a news conference on Wednesday that the Army had been exploited by the Government, and he called on all members of the Army to resign.

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Swedish general election

Green revolution poses threat of political upheaval

From Christopher Mosey, Stockholm

There is little sense in Sweden of the cataclysm that Sunday's general election is likely to bring to political life. One of the world's most conformist and predictable societies goes silently about its business in its well-ordered Welfare State.

Excitement has never been a feature of life in Sweden, but beneath the sleepy surface a revolution has taken place that, if the opinion polls are correct, may smash for ever the dominant mould of the country's politics.

The election is set to cause the greatest upheaval since the vote in 1976 that ended 44 years of socialist rule and ushered in a disastrous six years of minority centre-right coalition governments.

What has happened is that the Swedish Green Party is poised to benefit from anxiety over the environment that will probably give it the balance of power between the socialist and non-socialist blocs. The effect on the country's political and economic life, generally a model of stability in the postwar era, is likely to be devastating.

The Greens are attracting votes across the spectrum but, most important, from left-leaning intellectual "dissidents" who at present support Sweden's small Communist Party, which traditionally backs minority socialist-led administrations.

As a result of the Green revolution, the Communists are likely to fall below the 4 per cent necessary for admission to Parliament under Sweden's system of proportional representation, depriving the Social Democrats of *their majority* and forcing them to do a deal with one of the other parties, perhaps even the Greens.

> **❝ Anxiety over environment rules campaign ❞**

These are anxious times for Mr Ingvar Carlsson, the Prime Minister, facing his first election as socialist leader since taking over two years ago from his assassinated predecessor, Mr Olof Palme.

With the economy set fair, unemployment less than 2 per cent and with post-Palme sympathy for the socialists running high, he might reasonably have expected to lead his party to victory.

Instead, the secure ground has been cut from under him by the Green revolt and by a series of scandals involving socialist abuse of power.

The first of these was the affair involving a private investigation into the Palme killing by Mr Ebbe Carlsson, a socialist publisher.

Mrs Anna-Greta Leijon, the Minister of Justice, was forced to resign earlier this year when it was revealed that she had signed a letter of introduction to the authorities in Britain and France so that the publisher might pursue his now largely discredited theory that Mr Palme was killed by a Kurdish hit squad acting on orders from Iran.

Then Mr P. G. Vinge, head of Sapo, the Swedish security police, confirmed in his memoirs the existence of the Information Bureau, a nationwide network of Social Democrats that in the 1960s compiled a register of Communist sympathizers.

> **❝ Communists likely to lose their representation ❞**

It was an old story but, in the wake of the Ebbe Carlsson affair, it focused fears on the tendency of the socialists to by-pass the democratic process.

Then two other minor incidents left more egg on Mr Ingvar Carlsson's face. In one, Mr Stig Malm, head of the Trade Union Confederation, admitted using his position on the board of a state housing association to secure a flat for his daughter, a sore point in Stockholm, where there is a severe shortage of accommodation.

In the other, a socialist MP was arrested for drunken driving, a cardinal sin in what remains a basically puritanical society with a strong teetotal lobby.

Mr Carlsson has not helped his cause by giving the disgraced Mrs Leijon a leading role in the socialist election campaign, and by promising her a new ministerial post if he forms the next government, which – despite the Green advance – he is likely to do.

However, everything pales into insigificance in this election besidee the overriding issue of the environment.

Swedes, who love nature, have been appalled by the havoc caused to their forests and lakes by acid rain, by the fallout from the Chernobyl nuclear disaster, and by the threat of coastal pollution.

It is no use telling a Swede, as Mr Nicholas Ridley, the British Secretary of State for the Environment, did earlier this year in a conversation with his opposite number, the peppery Mrs Birgitta Dahl, that North Sea seals are dying from natural causes.

"Pollution is the root cause," Mrs Dahl says firmly, and nine-tenths of the nation believes her.

Polls favour socialists

Stockholm (Reuter) – Latest opinion polls show the Greens capturing between 7 and 9 per cent of the vote – enough to hold the balance between the ruling Social Democrats, who are forecast to win 42 to 44 per cent, and the centre-right opposition, which is expected to take 41 per cent.

But Professor Olof Ruin of Stockholm University said: "I have never experienced such an uncertain election. All kinds of different outcomes are still possible."

According to the polls, the Social Democrats will cling to power with the help of their Communist allies and the Greens. The polls give the Communists about 4 per cent of the vote, the minimum required to enter Parliament.

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Minorities hold key to California

Bush plays an old tune to serenade the ethnic vote

From Michael Binyon, San Francisco

Ethnic minorities will probably decide the outcome of the presidential race in California, and the Republicans are determined not to let any minority votes fall to the Democrats by default.

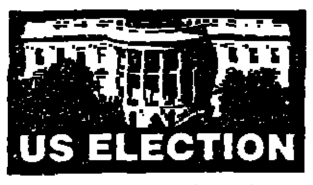
Vice-President George Bush is vigorously courting the two main groups he believes susceptible to his message of prosperity and entrepreneurial initiative – the Hispanics and the Orientals.

To deepen his inroads into this natural Democratic territory, he has spent the past few days breakfasting with Hispanic leaders, saluting America's Hispanic heritage, walking through San Francisco's Chinatown, and trumpeting those values of family, community and social conservatism that his campaign believes will find a ready echo among California's extraordinary mosaic of ethnic groups, many of them among America's newest immigrants.

Of these, by far the largest and most important are the Spanish-speakers – people from Mexico, Central and South America, as well as a few original inhabitants of California – who are all lumped together in the category of Hispanics.

In all, there are more than 18 million Hispanic Americans eligible to vote. America's fastest-growing minority, and in California the Bush campaign is hoping to capture at least 35 per cent of them. In 1984 the Reagan-Bush ticket swept up 67 per cent of the Hispanic voters.

This year, with more vigorous courting by the Democrats, helped considerably by Governor Michael Dukakis's fluency in Spanish, the Republicans will have a hard job to repeat their 1984 success. But the Bush campaign is counting on several factors.



These include the evident pride the Vice-President takes in his Mexican daughter-in-law, Columba Garnica, and his half-Mexican grandchildren, and her prominent role in the campaign; the growing prosperity in the Hispanic community; and the strong endorsement by some groups – especially Cubans and Salvadoreans – of President Reagan's tough policy towards Nicaragua and towards communism in general.

Mr Bush has pursued these advantages skilfully all week. Among the Cubans of New Jersey he made much of his anti-communist credentials. In Los Angeles he paid tribute to the Hispanic leaders of the staunchly conservative Orange County.

He has used the current Hispanic Heritage Week to give an ethnic twist to standard campaign themes. Prosperity has brought new employment to Hispanics at three times the rate of the whole country, he insists, and unemployment in this group is falling fast.

Hispanics now own 400,000 businesses, account for $120 billion (£71 billion) of the economy, are just beginning to rise on the social and economic ladder, and respond with warm applause to the standard Bush line that "I'm not going to let them take that away from you". And Hispanics, with a strict Catholic code and social conservatism, respond to Mr Bush's message of patriotism, school prayer, toughness on crime.

But the Bush campaign has to nuance the speeches carefully. Only hours after praising Hispanic leaders, Mr Bush was addressing raisin growers 100 miles away in the hot San Joaquin valley, where he poured scorn on the Hispanic-led farm labourers' union and adopted a tone that would have little appeal to the Hispanics who form the migrant agricultural labour force.

Mr Bush also has little sympathy for bilingual education – another main Hispanic concern – and ties his economic message very closely to those who have got ahead, not to the majority who are still left behind.

Oriental Americans – who are known here as Asian Americans – are a smaller, but probably more winnable, ethnic group that Mr Bush is going after. They do not vote as a bloc. Japanese Americans tend to be Democrats, Vietnamese and Koreans Republicans.

But Mr Bush believes these many groups, often new immigrants, can be swayed with the traditional message of the American dream and economic prosperity unshackled by government regulation.

He attempted to put this message across to San Francisco's Chinese in a Chinatown rally on Wednesday. However, the message went somewhat wrong when a large number of non-Chinese Dukakis supporters turned up to boo loudly. The elderly Chinese audience kept an inscrutable Oriental reticence when repeatedly urged to chant "We love Bush".

Aide doubted Reagan ability to go on

**From Mohsin Ali
Washington**

Some White House aides felt that President Reagan was so depressed in early 1987 over the Iran-Contra arms scandal that they wondered briefly whether he was capable of handling his official duties, according to a new book by two Washington journalists.

One former aide, Mr James Cannon, in a March 1, 1987, memorandum to Mr Howard Baker, who was about to become White House Chief of Staff, raised the possibility of invoking the 25th Amendment to the Constitution. This provides for the transfer of presidential power to the Vice-President, should the President be incapacitated.

But the suggestion was quickly dismissed by Mr Baker when he had a chance to observe the President at close quarters, the book said.

Accounts from the book were published yesterday in *The Los Angeles Times* and *The New York Times*. The latter newspaper quoted Mr Marlin Fitzwater, the White House spokesman, as saying that Mr Cannon's impressions had been based on interviews with disgruntled staff members who had recently been dismissed.

Mr Fitzwater said Mr Baker "immediately dismissed the idea" of invoking the Constitution and said the Chief of Staff never took the idea seriously.

The book, *Landslide: The Unmaking of the President, 1984-88*, by Doyle McManus of *The Los Angeles Times* and Jane Mayer of *The Wall Street Journal*, is due to be published on Monday.

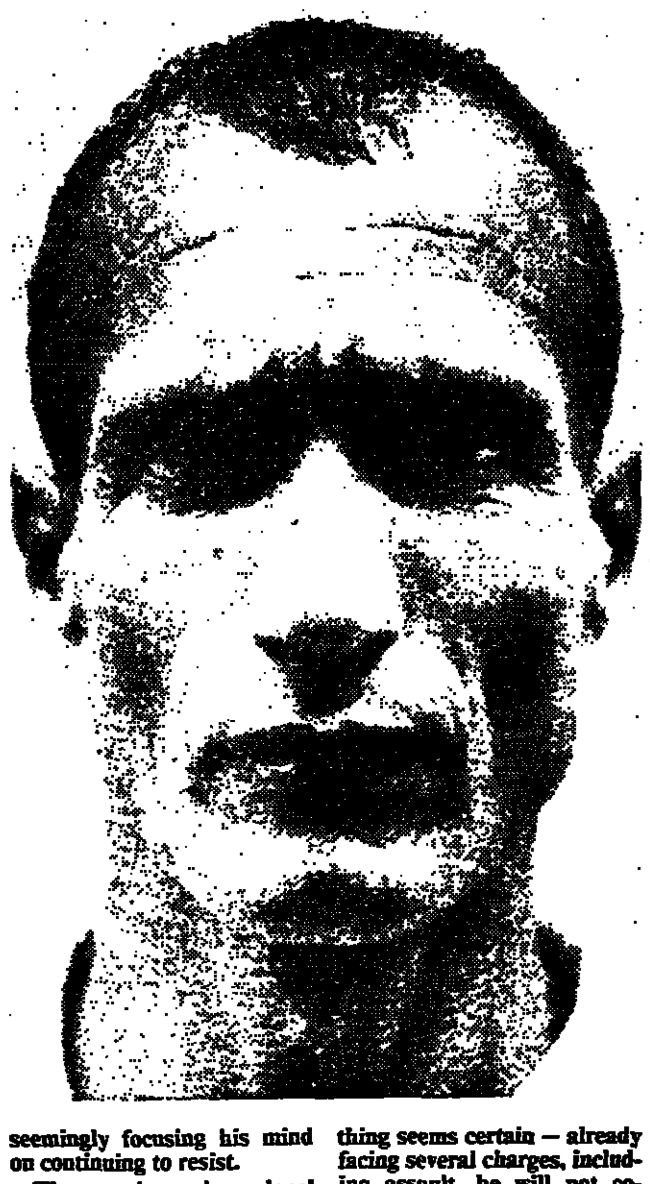
The Los Angeles Times story said that Mr Cannon said in the memo that when he went to the White House "there was no order in the place. The staff system had just broken down. It had just evaporated. They (White House officials) told stories about how inattentive and inept the President was," he told the book's authors. "He was lazy, he wasn't interested in the job. They said he wouldn't read the papers they gave him. . .They said he wouldn't come over to work – all he wanted to do was to watch movies and television."

Mr Baker, Mr Cannon and two others observed President Reagan for part of a day in March, 1987, before concluding he was competent to continue performing his duties, according to the book.

The Los Angeles Times quoted Mr Baker as saying in an interview that, although he viewed Mr Cannon, as having raised a legitimate issue, he never seriously entertained putting into effect the constitutional amendment.

The 25th Amendment, ratified in 1967, provides for the Vice-President to become acting President, should he and a majority of the Cabinet declare the President is "unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office".

Face of a suspect killer: 'Like a marble block'



This is the face of the French non-commissioned officer police suspect of having killed as many as seven young army conscripts.

Sergeant-Major Pierre Chanal has been in solitary confinement in Dijon jail for almost five weeks after being apprehended in the act of sexually assaulting and torturing a male Hungarian hitch-hiker in the back of his Volkswagen camper (Philip Jacobson writes from Paris).

From that day on Sergeant-Major Chanal, a muscular, commando-trained keep-fit fanatic with a reputation for being an introspective loner, has steadfastly refused to give investigators any information beyond his name, rank and army number.

Only once has he replied to their questions, declaring that he had nothing to do with the unexplained disappearance of the seven soldiers in what has become known as the "Triangle of Death" in the Marne. Sergeant-Major Chanal was serving in the local garrison town of Mourmelon when several of the conscripts went missing over a period of about seven years from 1980.

The disappearances ceased when the sergeant-major was posted to Lebanon, but they resumed when he began making regular visits to jump with the Mourmelon Parachute Club.

His arrest was a fluke. A routine police patrol, spotting his van on an isolated path, discovered the terrified Hungarian trussed up in a special harness.

His 20-hour ordeal had been videotaped by Sergeant-Major Chanal, and police have subsequently established that the camera was purchased only a few days before the first of the Mourmelon disappearances (the youth in question was at the time serving in the sergeant-major's elite 4th Dragoons Regiment).

Every attempt to crack Sergeant-Major Chanal's icy self-control during police questioning has foundered on the expertise he acquired during army courses on resisting enemy interrogation.

It appears he now looks upon himself as a prisoner of war and has adjusted his routine accordingly. Up at the crack of dawn for a ferocious round of exercises, he passes hour after hour staring intently at the walls of his cell, seemingly focusing his mind on continuing to resist.

The gendarmerie colonel who first investigated the Mourmelon disappearances has decided to reopen the cases. Starting next week, a big search operation will begin in the woods and undergrowth that cover most of the Marne "triangle".

Sergeant-Major Chanal knew the area like the back of his hand from the training runs and forced marches he so enjoyed, and police suspect that some or all of the missing conscripts may have been buried there.

Combing hundreds of acres of open land criss-crossed with isolated footpaths and concealed clearings will clearly take weeks, even months.

At the same time, detailed records of Sergeant-Major Chanal's army career will have to be examined minutely for any clue that might eventually incriminate him. One thing seems certain – already facing several charges, including assault, he will not co-operate.

A gendarmerie officer was asked the other day how he would describe the prisoner's demeanour. "This one is a born fighter," he replied. "Like a block of marble."

● **BORDEAUX: A dangerous prisoner, who was freed by mistake on Wednesday, was rearrested by police at St Médard, south-west France, yesterday (AFP reports).**

Police said that Jean-Philippe Aguilera, aged 21, who was sentenced to a 12-year jail term for rape, torture and acts of barbarism, did not resist arrest when police found him at his parents' home.

His release was said to be the result of an administrative error. Prison authorities had meant to free Antonio Aguilera, a Spaniard aged 48, who was serving a four-year term for attempted robbery.

Gunman murders hospital patient

Palmi (Reuter) – An Italian man recovering from a gun attack was shot dead yesterday in his hospital bed in this southern Italian town.

Police said that the man, Signor Tommaso Musico, a 51-year-old butcher, was shot in the face and neck.

Signor Musico was recovering from a bullet wound in his foot after an attack on Saturday which police said appeared to be linked to a personal vendetta.

Crew freed

Rome (AP) – Sixteen Egyptians imprisoned in Iran for more than five years after their fishing boat was accused of entering Iranian waters have been released and flown to Italy. They said two of the crew were killed at the time of their capture.

Top ranks

Peking (AFP) – China has named its first generals in 25 years, appointing 17 to the People's Liberation Army, the *China Daily* reported. Ranks were abolished in 1965, just before the start of the Cultural Revolution.

Lisbon aid

Strasbourg (AP) – The European Parliament has asked the European Community for £1,300,000 to help towards the reconstruction of the centre of Lisbon, which was badly damaged by a fire last month which left hundreds of people homeless and out of work.

Counted out

Moscow (Reuter) – A group of wrestlers who decided to beat up and rob a foreign acquaintance underestimated their strength and left him dead, *Sovietsky Sport* reported. The gang received prison sentences of between four and 15 years.

Postmen back

Ottawa – About 1,200 postal technicians have returned to work across Canada, ending a strike that lasted three weeks.

More kidnaps

Zamboanga City, Philippines (AP) – Muslim bandits abducted 17 people in the second mass kidnapping on a southern Philippine island in less than three weeks, military officials said.

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SPECTRUM

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The car bumper sticker says it all: will the view across the river to George Bush's house in Kennebunkport be obscured by sightseers and Secret Service men if Bush wins the presidency?

Vote peace, not George

George Bush's neighbours in Kennebunkport think he's a nice chap, so why won't they vote for him? Because their town will have to have its first public urinal and faces a deluge of sightseers. **Brian James** takes the first tour

There are lifelong Republicans of the staunchest kind in Kennebunkport, Maine, who yet do not want the town's single famous son, George Bush, to become the next President of the United States. For if he succeeds they must surrender the good fight they have fought for the past two years, and permit the erection of the town's first public urinal.

"Don't laugh, please," asks the town manager, Janet Duncan. "This is deadly serious. In this town the provision of a public restroom will be an earth-shaking event. No issue has ever caused more controversy than this."

At the core of the argument is whether the priorities of the collection of pastel weatherboard buildings at the mouth of the Kennebunk River should be preserved for us, the visitors, or them, the residents. Until now, whatever the shopkeepers, bait-cutters and boat-hirers coining in the new money have said, it has been the old money of New England families who have summered here for a century, who have had the last word. Usually "no".

You can see well enough what they are afraid of. Kennebunkport is still lovely and therefore unlike much of the Maine coast, where laagers of clapboard motels attract the cheap end of American holiday traffic: overweight grotesques in Bermuda shorts shepherding Coke-bellied children on pilgrimage from one fast-food outlet to the next.

"This restroom thing has become symbolic," says a Beach Street antique shop owner. "Visitors are tolerated. Not more. Giving them a place to go pee would be too much like a welcome. But if George makes it to the White House things have to change. The crowds are gonna come. And no way are the Secret Service gonna like what goes on now . . . people driving out to the woods at the end of Ocean Avenue to get a little relief."

At the end of Ocean Avenue, on a promontory of land, lies the low, sprawling home of George Bush, where the Vice-President's aged mother lives and where his large family and aides gather frequently. It was until recently Kennebunkport's proudest sight.

It is stared at now, however, as a Trojan horse. For the town has seen that what the Secret Service likes and dislikes will become crucial in Kennebunkport if Bush is elected. "Believe it," says Kennebunkport's police chief, John Prescot. "Right now folks drive out to Walkers Point. Pull over and point out the windows. 'Hey, ain't that George playing tennis . . . that Barbara on the lawn?' Just 200 yards away across the water. No way folks are going to get that kinda glimpse of him if he makes it to President."

Bush had tight security even as Vice-President, Prescot says. "But we have seen how things changed here in Kennebunkport once he aimed for the top job. He came back soon after he got the nomination sewn up: hordes more agents. His usual bunch we have known for years. They blend in. Not the new guys.

"My force, 14 officers, makes sure his motorcade gets through the traffic. Then the Secret Service take the place over. They say exactly what they want."

Prescot and the Secret Service have already had planning meetings: he has been told where the checkpoints will go up, how Ocean Avenue may have to be made a no-go area where even residents of homes with 100-yard front lawns and grand manners to match will need permits to get home.

Kennebunkians loyally delve into memories for kindly glimpses of the man ("remember that time he went into the American Legion kitchens to thank the women for his dinner?"; how about when he came unannounced to the funeral of a local carpenter and "even left his Press corps outside!"), without quite dislodging the sense that he was about to make himself a nuisance.

Jim Godd is a lobster fisherman. "George Bush is a good and decent man. Nice enough guy. But my family has been fishing here seven generations, now we have become an endangered species. Bush comes here with his big motorboat . . . got patrol boats in front, Coast Guard behind . . . flat out into your lines.

"Last time they had a big meeting out there I lost 30 pots, at $40 apiece. I just can't afford to have this guy in the White House. There's 30 families here depend on lobster fishing. They tell us the Secret Service will make us keep a half mile off Walker's Point. So that's one of the best lobster grounds lost.

"He had a meeting last month. Sat all the Press down on his lawn and told them that he wouldn't let the lobstermen be harmed: if it came right down to it, he'd stay away from Kennebunkport. Did I believe him? Hey listen, the guy's a politician."

Janet Duncan is a little more optimistic. "The Bushes have always been good neighbours. He knows about the mood and style of the place, he's been a jogger and boater since he was a kid. I hope that the worst that can happen is that we have to wear our summer face, when a 4,000 population explodes to 20,000."

Ralph Hall, editor of the 100-year-old *York County Coast Star*, points out: "You need to know that Kennebunkport has joined with other Maine towns to try to control growth in the area — we are already beyond saturation point. If he uses Walker's Point just to get away, we can cope. But if he starts dragging Maggie Thatcher or Gorbachov up here, then things will become impossible. We don't have the room to become world important."

Kennebunkport has still not got over the day when President Reagan was shot while George Bush was in Maine, and every yard of ground along Ocean Avenue seemed to sprout the great mushroom dishes of satellite signallers, as TV crews from around the globe jostled for a glimpse of him.

Is there no one in Kennebunkport taking a positive view of Bush's chances? After all who had heard of Plains, Georgia, before Jimmy Carter: just think of the money made by the souvenir stalls at the shrine where Brother Billy Bent a Beer Can With His Teeth. Susan Savell, executive director of the Chamber of Commerce, thinks, and shudders. Locals would rather raze Kennebunkport than let that happen, she insists.

"I have heard talk about the money a Bush presidency could create. Then you start asking what are merchants actually doing . . . and it is all a bit ho-hum. Walk the town, do you see any evidence that we are going to be flush with Bush memorabilia?"

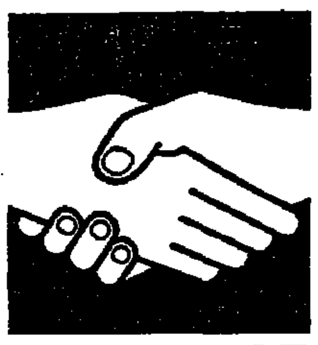
Apart from two stores rapidly selling out of bumper-stickers declaring "Save Kennebunkport — vote Democratic" we find three shops that do have Bush for President T-shirts, scarcely displayed. "Bush is no big deal," says shopkeeper Sheila Baiguy. "We stock a few because a few folks asked. Actually people prefer the porpoise. Or a gull."

Or even a whale. Sonnie Wendell, who operates a cruise boat out of the harbour, decided to feature a "See the Bush home at Walker's Point" trip. "With the guy on TV every night I figured I was being smart. But people just pointed and laughed. 'We'd rather go and try spot a whale,' they'd say. So now that's what we do."

The most persistent spoor of the potential new President is perhaps in the restaurants where they have mounted on their walls notes from Walker's Point that run, "Dear . . . , Barbara and I wish to thank you for a most enjoyable meal. . ." — the bread-and-butter letters of a polite man who wishes to be thought well of by his neighbours.

The reality is that the one thing that George Bush could do which Kennebunkport would regard as right neighbourly would be to move. Or lose.

Finally, go get a guru



INFLUENCE

PART 5

Michael Shea concludes his series with some advice on the advisers

Everyone needs friends, advisers and allies — particularly the person seeking influence. Your staff are an image of you as seen by the outside world. If they are flawed or rude or inefficient, that becomes your reflection, too. Choose them well.

Of all mentors, the best are gurus, secure in their own intellectual position, rising above mere financial gain. Gurus think deep thoughts, and, slowly and with deliberation, utter those thoughts "all gilt about and well-expressed". But beware: there is no special quality that invests a man with the guru's mantle: as usual, he is a guru only if his disciple perceives him to be.

Distinguishing a guru from a grey eminence is tricky. The latter is more sombre, more calculating, more sinister. *Eminences grises* can have an established place in society as barrister, lawyer, investment adviser, political analyst, academic. The essence of their role is that they exercise influence beyond their normal authority.

At the other end of the influence scale are sycophants, whisperers in the antechambers of power. To such people the appearance of things is crucial. Toadies and sycophants must find out what their decision-taker wants and then cater to it. This is how they survive, working on the rule that subordinates never know better than their supervisors.

In any business or government, the real threat to the pattern of official responsibility is the kitchen cabinet with influence outside the mainstream of decision-taking. The good news is that kitchen cabinets, existing as centres of intrigue and ambition, seldom last. They are most obvious in politics. No serious executive or head of state is without a kitchen cabinet since they provide an alternative, and perhaps more loyal, source of advice.

Sooner or later what happens behind the scenes is reflected on the front stage. That is where the image-makers — press officers and PR executives — come into their own. To them everything is examined in terms of how mediagenic it is. There are two distinct types of image-maker. At the most basic these are the press officer, who puts out the personal or party line, and the public relations (PR) person, who works out what that line should be.

The PR might advise you on how to cope with the cameras and the Press interview. Assume that interviewers are out to trap you, particularly if you are defending a controversial or weak case. Remember, it is what you want to say that matters. So try changing the interviewer's direction. It often works.

When asked a difficult question. Denis Healey is good at saying: "Now, I think the question you are trying to ask me is . . ." He usually gets away with it. Another version is: "The question you should be asking is . . ." This implies that the interviewer is a prize twit and doesn't understand what he is on about.

Next, the professional lobbyist. Lobbying suggests something vaguely improper. However, normally it is perfectly democratic process in which individuals employed by companies or other interests watch legislation, monitor parliamentary business and explain their client's case to those in power.

The lobbyist is a hidden persuader, the political relations arm of any organization, the contacts-fixer, the oiler of the interlocking wheels of industry and government. Good ones know more about what is going on than any politician or Civil Servant.

We are all manipulated by a profusion of pressures, habits, micro- and macro-influences. We are bent and moulded by rapidly changing fashion, styles, arguments, personal restraints, by money, by ambition, by success and failure. We are bound by our own deep, inherited prejudices. Machiavelli argues that half the things we do are due to fortune: the rest is controlled by ourselves. Not a bad starting point; or finishing point.

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SCIENCE REPORT

Of Aids, mice and men

Mice could provide a valuable model in which to study the human immune system, including the development of Aids, say the authors of a report in this week's *Nature*. The trick is to transfer cells of the human immune system into mice that are congenitally immunodeficient. The human cells survive and function in the mice for at least six months.

In a series of experiments, SCID mice — so called after their heritable "severe combined immunodeficiency" — received white blood cells taken from human blood. These experiments were carried out by Donald Mosier, Richard Galiza and Darcy Wilson, of the Medical Biology Institute, and Stephen Baird, of the Veterans Administration Medical Centre, both in La Jolla, California. In the most successful of the experiments all the major types of human immune cells were present in the mice six months later.

The long-term survival of the human cells is promising, but it is more important to demonstrate that they also maintain their function, if the mice are to provide the kind of experimental model needed. One important functional measure of immune cells is their ability to secrete antibodies, the specific role of the B lymphocytes. For some weeks after being injected with the human white blood cells, the experimental mice produce increasing quantities of human antibodies, after which production is maintained at a stable level for as long as they have, so far, been studied, which is six months in some cases.

In a more specific test, the mice are immunized with tetanus toxoid, the basis of the human vaccine for tetanus with which all the donors of the white blood cells have been immunized. The antibody response of the mice is clearly attributable to their human immune cells.

A less satisfactory result is obtained when the researchers measure the relative proportions of different types of human immune cells in the mice at different times. Most of the measurements are made on tissue taken from the spleen, an Aladdin's cave of immune cells. The proportions tended to vary with time and not to reflect the proportions in the bloodstream of the donors. Furthermore, the number of cells transferred to the mice in the first place influence the relative proportions of the types present later.

An interesting and unexpected observation is that, when the number of cells transferred is large, and when they come from a donor that has been infected by Epstein-Barr virus, the recipient mice often develop a B-cell lymphoma, a type of tumour of the immune system. Analysis of the tumours shows them to consist of human cells. Similar tumours sometimes arise in humans infected with the virus, notably in African children and in Aids patients.

The variable and abnormal proportions of immune cell types and the emergence of B-cell lymphomas in some circumstances are witness to the fact that mice are not a perfect system in which to study the human immune system. But Donald Mosier and his colleagues are not dismayed. On the contrary, they say "what seems to us most remarkable is that these xenografts were successful in the first place".

By varying the xenografts (the technical term for the transferred human white cells, or for any tissue transplanted from one species to another) and by other manipulations, they expect to be able to improve the system. For example, it may be preferable to use cells from the liver of human foetuses as the xenograft. That has has been tried with some success in similar experiments under Irving Weissman at Stanford University Medical School, and the results are due to be published soon.

Aids research may also benefit from the mice. There is at present no adequate animal model in which to study the development of Aids after infection with the human immunodeficiency virus and the ability of drugs or vaccines to prevent the disease.

Chimpanzees serve as the only current model, but they are both few in number and, while they can be infected by the virus, do not develop Aids. It will be a high priority of further tests with the SCID mice to check that their human immune cells can be infected with the virus and to discover if this results in the development of an immunodeficiency, albeit a cross between Aids and SCID.

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TIMES DIARY

DAVID WALKER

After an exchange of lawyers' letters the think tank being launched by Baroness Blackstone and colleagues to give a leftward spin to policy discussions has decided to change its name. They wanted to call themselves the Institute of Policy Research. But the name had already been taken — by a right-of-centre group which, among other projects, supports the Conservative thought patterns of the Centre for Policy Studies. Following the legal skirmish the Blackstone group has become the Institute for Public Policy Research.

The Government has undoubtedly won a great coup in securing the services of Susan Fay, principal of the Inner London Education Authority's Morley College, to run the City Technology Colleges Trust. Morley is one of the best known centres for adult education in the country; its principal is necessarily steeped in the urban educational mix. Fay is quite a catch, too, for the Education Secretary, Kenneth Baker, in so far as those associated with the CTC movement have to date been obviously partisan.

They include people such as Steven Norris, the Tory MP for Oxford East, who was one of the very few Conservatives to see his South-eastern patch of blue turn red at the last election; and Cyril Taylor, a language-school owner who suffers what in Tory party terms is something like a mark of Cain: he is a former member of the Greater London Council and actually believes in the necessity of some form of London government.

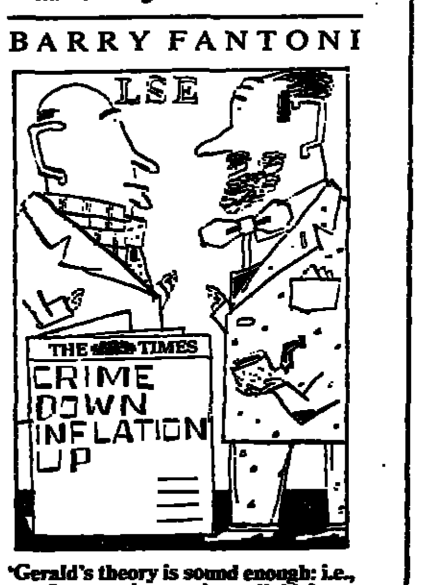
Yet Fay's appointment rather exposes the arguments deployed by Kenneth Baker in winding up the Inner London Education Authority. If Ilea was the educational wasteland that Baker claimed, how come its people are proving so attractive for his other ventures. The other notable transferee has been Bill Stubbs, Ilea's chief officer, who is now to run the Polytechnics and Colleges Funding Council.

The two Whitehall departments which occupy the four Poulson-era towers which jut over Marsham Street — Environment and Transport — are finally to be sundered after years of "common citizenship". They began life as a single mega-department (Ted Heath thought big) but were separated in 1976 (giving the Social Democrat-turned architect, Bill Rodgers, his Cabinet job as Labour's transport minister). But the civil servants continued to intertwine; for example, sharing their economists. From next April they go their own ways, leaving in Marsham Street only one monument to Ted yet to be demolished, the Property Services Agency, linked still in a common career structure with Environment but edging closer to being hived off.

Like Hollywood, Whitehall knows when a star is born; and there appears to have been a stellar event in the Department of Social Security. It goes by the name of Margaret Moodie, an official for whom bright futures are being predicted. She produced a report, under the auspices of the Efficiency Unit's scrutiny programme, on the way social security offices function and what might be done to improve services, especially in the London offices, which have become a byword for shabby inefficiency. Unusually, her report was written in direct, even passionate, prose, and despite its implied criticism of senior management in the DHSS (as was) for letting social security get into such a state, the upper floors of Richmond Terrace greeted her practical suggestions for improvement with enthusiasm.

In fact they paid her the ultimate compliment. They have given her a brief which says something like: do it, put into effect your own recommendations. On the way there Moodie has been asked to examine the functioning of the DSS's headquarters, with a view to relocating non-essential bits of the office, possibly out of London. Moodie's success is a bit of a victory for Civil Service pluralism, too: she has been quite an active member of the First Division Association and appears, from the report, to believe in bringing the Civil Service trade unions along with reforms rather than beating them over the head.

BARRY FANTONI



'Gerald's theory is sound enough: i.e., fewer stolen goods available'

For years Whitehall reformers have been arguing for more acceptance of "inner-outers": civil servants who move out to experience the harsh realities of industry and commerce but then move back to impart their skills and experience. Aside from money, the biggest impediment has been the Civil Service Commission and departmental rules which say that, once out, you lose your certificate, and if you get back it has to be at your former grade. The Treasury (a big loser recently of man and womanpower) is now proposing something of a revolution.

Returnees, it says, should henceforth be allowed to get back into Whitehall at a grade *above* their previous one. The Civil Service Commission, meanwhile, is being urged to drop its tests of "knowledge and ability" for returning wanderers. The Civil Service unions don't like the idea of jumping grades, but they are hoist with the petard of their own equal opportunities policies: one of the primary beneficiaries of looser rules on returning to Whitehall would be the large number of women who leave each year to have children and find it difficult to scramble back on to the career ladder.

Ian Bradley finds a businesslike air at the SNP conference

More suits than kilts

Inverness

Meeting for its annual conference within a caber's toss of the Culloden battlefield and indignant at the iniquities of the Sassenach-imposed poll tax, the Scottish National Party might be expected to be in a belligerent and even fiery mood.

In fact, its gathering this week in the capital of the Highlands has so far been a remarkably sober and restrained affair. The old-style nationalism of the Sixties and Seventies, with its heady mixture of misty Gaelic culture and left-wing rhetoric, seems to be fast disappearing in favour of a much smoother and more businesslike approach.

A high proportion of the delegates here are involved in economic consultancy and small businesses. There is much talk of promoting enterprise and selling Scotland abroad, and designer suits easily outnumber kilts as the favoured male nationalist attire.

This year's SNP conference does, indeed, have much of the air of a company meeting. It is true that the shareholders of Scotland PLC see their main task as being to resist further hostile takeover bids from south of the border.

Most Scottish nationalists work on a conspiracy theory that all bad things to hit their country come from England. With some justice they see the latest Sassenach plot as being to dump nuclear waste in some of Scotland's remotest and most beautiful regions. As one delegate put it: "We are moving into a period of environmental imperialism."

But even the threat of becoming Britain's nuclear dustbin has not deflected the SNP from its politeness. Isobel Lindsay, who is on the party's Green wing and confesses to being worried about the growing influence of the yuppie tendency, took pains to dissociate nationalists from a car sticker with the message: "Keep Scotland Tidy. Drop Your Litter In England."

Much of this atmosphere of moderation can be put down to the influence of Gordon Wilson, the party's chairman and chief spokesman since 1979. Wilson admirably fits the role of managing director of Scotland PLC. A mild-mannered and quick-witted Dundee solicitor, he retains his quiet authority over the party despite having lost his seat in the House of Commons at the last election.

Wilson's achievement over the past decade has been to purge Scottish nationalism of its wilder elements and bring it into the *Thatcherite* age, or, as he himself modestly puts it, to make it less ideological.

Last year he steered the SNP away from a neutralist and unilateralist defence policy. This afternoon, if all goes to plan, he will make it the most fervently pro-European of all Britain's political parties.

The SNP leadership has embraced the prospect of the single European market in 1992 with an enthusiasm which must delight Lord Young of Graffham, and which fills a substantial number of its grassroots members with horror. So keen is the party's national executive committee to fly the European flag that in drafting the conference agenda it ignored 23 amendments hostile to this afternoon's pro-Community motion.

The line that Gordon Wilson and the party's new breed of European enthusiasts is keen to sell to Scotland's business community is that, with the single European market in operation, the old arguments against separatism will cease to apply. An independent Scotland could reap the same substantial economic benefits enjoyed by other small sovereign Community members, such as Denmark.

Wilson talks enthusiastically of opening Scottish trade offices in all European capitals. What the new, independent Scotland PLC will have to sell to the Europeans is less clear. A stall at the conference is packed with an array of Scottish-made goods ranging from haggis puddings in crispy batter and Epicure strawberries to Dispel washing-up liquid and Besto lavatory cleaner. It is hard to see these being eagerly snapped up in the corner shops of Brussels and Strasbourg.

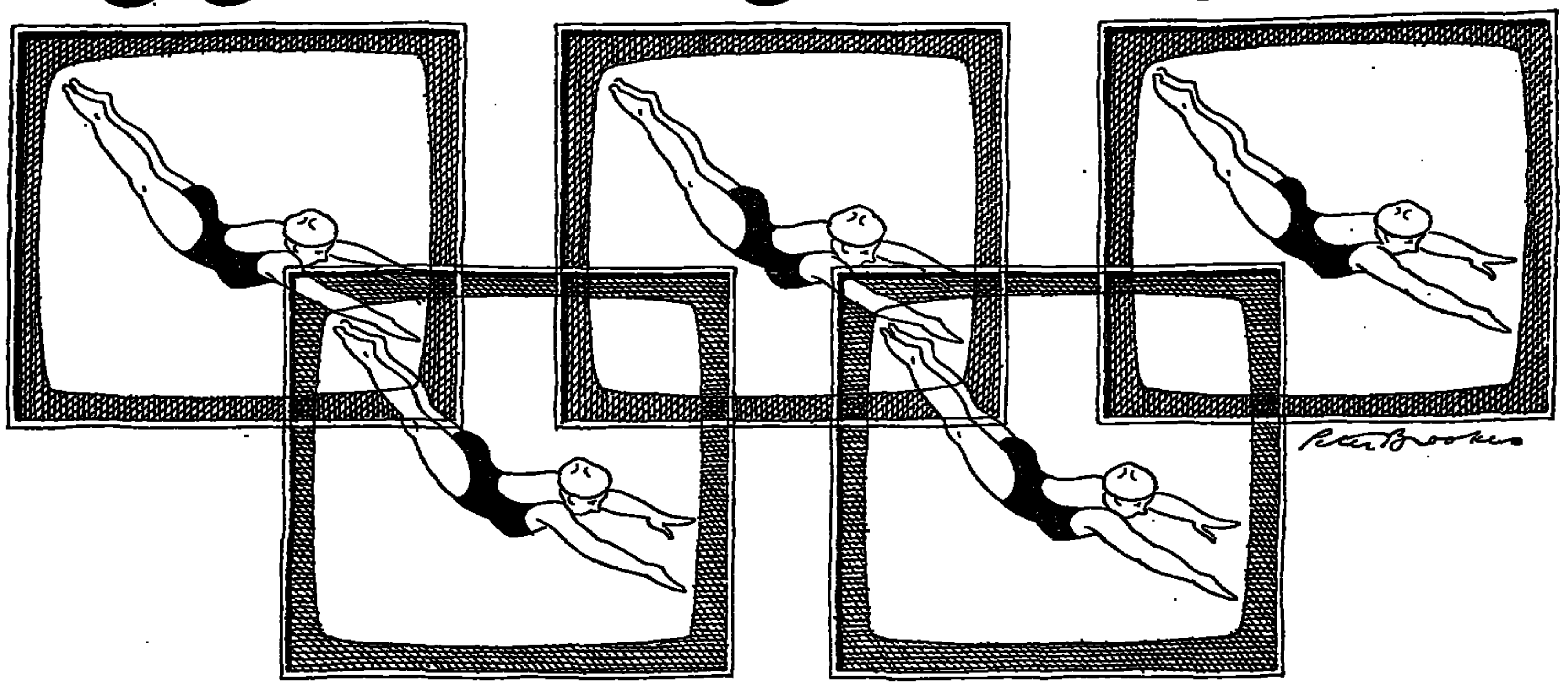
But the new breed of Euro-nationalists have something altogether more exciting in mind. They talk of Scotland specializing in high-technology industries and exporting high-value goods. Alex Neil, who joined the SNP from Labour three years ago and is the party's candidate for Glasgow in the European elections, speaks enthusiastically of the new private hospital complex in Clydebank as a model for future developments, and praises Reaganomics for achieving growth through the development of small businesses and the service sector.

Of course, no one here in Inverness would ever bring themselves to praise Mrs Thatcher, and indeed the conference yesterday ritually cocked a snook at the Prime Minister by voting in favour of a campaign of no payment of the poll tax. But there is no doubt that, in the land of Adam Smith, free-market economics is coming back into fashion.

Whether the nationalists' other new-found enthusiasm, for the European Community, will help the cause of an independent Scotland is more doubtful. Certainly the Auld Alliance with France didn't do Bonnie Prince Charlie much good.

David Miller

Taking gold in a greater game



Seoul

The governments of Britain and the United States remain alone in the world among developed nations not to realize the political, social and commercial value of international sport, which is about to be demonstrated by South Korea.

The US still has sporting success because it has four times Britain's population and immense private corporate wealth from which to sustain sport. Britain is now among the poor relations of international sport in almost every respect, as demonstrated by the derisory reaction of the Commonwealth Games Federation here yesterday to Cardiff's bid for the Games of 1994, awarded to Victoria, British Columbia, by an overwhelming majority. Cardiff never had a chance.

Seven years ago Dr Kim Un Yung, adviser to the Korean embassies of America and Britain and deputy director-general to the President's office, and also himself president of the World Taekwondo Federation, realized that his country could make an impact without parallel upon world awareness by staging the Olympic Games. Korea was already advancing through the ranks of the world's industrial producers, yet no single event could expose the nation to global publicity as could the Olympics.

With the support of General Roh Tae Woo, an emerging figure of domestic political power, Kim went to the Olympic Congress in Baden-Baden, West Germany, in 1981 to bid for the Games this year. The field was open. Munich had been terrorized by the Israeli massacre and Olympic security had become a nightmare. Montreal had the African boycott, Moscow the West boycott.

Additionally, Montreal had run up a bill in 1976 under Mayor Drapeau, thanks to over-ambitious construction and workforce strikes, that the ratepayers would be paying into the next century. Los Angeles had been the only bid, by a private business consortium, for 1984.

The unknown Koreans got the vote when environmental protestors from Nagoya, Japan, the other candidate, lined the streets of Baden-Baden. Within three years Korea, with government money, had built a main stadium second to none in the world. By 1986, as host to the Asian Games, it had completed a unique complex of modern sports facilities. The swimming pool was unsatisfactory? They would build another by the time of the Olympic Games. Their new equestrian centre, to be used this fortnight for the first time, is without comparison.

The fee negotiated for American television rights, $300 million, might have been half of what Korea was led to believe it could get; but other incomes from ticket sales, sponsorship, sale of Olympic village flats and so on would ensure Korea did not lose on its investment.

The risks might have been high, but so were the stakes. Korea was challenging Japan (its former colonial master), Hong Kong and China on the battlefield of commerce and politics, as well as striving to out-distance its North Korean neighbour and to prove its ultimate independence from America. The Olympic Games would achieve a level of publicity for its efforts which a million television commercials could never buy.

The danger was that North Korea, inflamed by envy of the South's favourable exposure, would attempt to fuse the magic lantern by persuading China, the *Soviet Union and other socialist* states, to stay away.

But China was changing, and so was the Soviet Union. China went to the Los Angeles Games and then, a critical move, to the Asian Games in 1986 here in Seoul: the Pyongyang reliance on socialist solidarity was holed *below the water-line. Not only* that, the Soviet Union, East Germany and others had discovered a serious setback in incentive, through absence from the Games, within their social system of privilege and advance for an army of sports performers, coaches and doctors. *Glasnost* accelerated a change in attitude to the South Korean regime.

Astute negotiations by Juan Antonio Samaranch, president of the International Olympic Committee, seemingly keeping the door open for North Korea to compete, had already enabled socialist countries to contemplate their own participation, never mind the absence of diplomatic relations. The thaw in the cold war began and, to the acute embarrassment of North Korea, harmonious relations between South Korea and the communist bloc are advancing rapidly.

To South Korea, the staging of the Olympic Games has been like the success of Jaguar at Le Mans in the 1950s. They had, *and have, to produce the goods* for the public, but their name, for much of the past four years and for almost every hour of the next fortnight, is on a billion lips. Kim's imaginative and almost anonymous bid seven years ago may in time prove to have been as profound an influence on the *balance of Asian commercial* affairs as Japan's staging of the Games in Tokyo, the first in Asia, in 1964. That, too, was a calculated commercial campaign.

The fact that South Korea's sporting achievement, reaching out to challenge the former dominance of Japan and the new power of China, is faster growing than in most countries, is almost incidental. South Korea is expected to be among the top eight medal winners.

What is inexplicable, and what some may regret, is the contemporary link between sport and money and social (structural) development. It is a link of which the Manchester committee, led by Robert Scott, the theatrical entrepreneur who is here to evaluate Seoul's organization, is well aware. An Olympic Games in Manchester in 1996, the centenary year, could help reshape and revitalize the North-*west of England beyond all* expectation: just as it would reshape Athens, Greece's suffocating, under-developed capital. It needs to celebrate its own centenary more out of social necessity, for the re-development that would be generated, than out of any historic *sense of pride.*

Toronto and Atlanta are equally enthusiastic. Ever since Los Angeles made a profit of $220 million, there is no shortage of volunteer cities.

The Olympic Games, for better or worse, are a colossal commercial force; and from the unexpected victory yesterday by tiny Lillehammer of Norway, population 25,000, in the bid to host the Olympic Winter Games of 1994, it is abundantly evident that Manchester has a realistic chance, if it is not blighted by the confused British record on the anti-apartheid issue that wrecked Edinburgh's Commonwealth Games and, largely, Cardiff's attempt this week.

Mrs Thatcher should take note that the campaign (unsuccessful) by Paris two years ago for the 1992 summer Games was personally led by Jacques Chirac, and that here in Seoul the Norwegian final presentation to the IOC was fronted by the Prime Minister, Gro Harlem *Brundtland; and that of* Östersund of Sweden, the runner-up yesterday, by King Gustav. Cardiff's courageous, vain effort, backed by the city council, was hopelessly overwhelmed by the $86 million guarantee from federal and provincial governments for Victoria.

The Olympic Games present not merely an Aladdin's lamp to host cities: they are a bull ring of intense action for commercial operators. Visa, the credit card organization, has put $14 million into the Calgary/Seoul sponsorship programme organized for the IOC by ISL Marketing of Lucerne, and has spent $25 million worldwide to advertise its involvement.

The Minneapolis/St Paul company, 3M, one of America's largest, in an attempt to raise its image outside the States, invested $15 million in the IOC package, with a further $50 million in worldwide back-up. 3M's marketing analysts will decide in November whether the results justify repeating the process for Albertville/Barcelona *in* 1992. They are looking this time for a 10 per cent increase in market awareness.

It is perhaps time that the mandarins of Whitehall came to recognize that there is rather more to sport than running fast in a circle or putting on a pair of swimming trunks.

Commentary • ROBERT KILROY-SILK

The usefulness of unions

The growth and display of anti-trade union sentiments in the past couple of weeks is disturbing. To encourage and capitalize upon it, as the Government is doing, is dangerous. It is also highly offensive to the millions of workers who belong to unions, which they have created and sustained to advance and protect their vocational interests. The attack on their organizations must, necessarily, be seen as being an assault upon themselves. Why, they want to know, is a Tory government that has done so much to promote the aspirations and welfare of working people suddenly so intent on humiliating and undermining their industrial leaders?

It is true that some unions, and especially the TUC, have not exactly presented themselves recently as sensible and responsible contributors to the national well-being. Some give the impression of having perversely gone out of their way to court public disapproval and to commit political suicide. The damage that they and Ron Todd of *the transport union have done to* the Labour Party is incalculable and probably terminal.

But the imbecility of the TUC and some of its affiliates is not a reason, still less a justification, for the Government to embark upon a campaign of general vilification or to banish the unions from Whitehall. The TUC's decision to boycott the Training Commission was, it is true, crass and monumental folly. But it is no excuse for Norman Fowler to sever all of the TUC's links with the Government. That would be even more stupid, and spiteful. It would also be counter-productive.

Like it or not, the TUC represents *nine million* workers and their families. It is their chosen spokesman on industrial matters. It has authority, legitimacy and credibility in raising their grievances and articulating their views. *It often gets things* wrong. It is frequently inadequate. It sometimes makes a fool of itself. None of this can be denied. But neither can the fact that it is the only national representative organization that working people have. Its not just the best that they've got, it is all they have.

No other organization can perform the functions of the TUC, or even pretend to. There is no way that the EETPU, the Union of Democratic Mineworkers or any other body of organized workers outside of the Congress House, no matter how sincere and well intentioned, can take on its responsibilities. Not only do these would-be surrogates lack the troops, they are bereft *of the appropriate* experience and authority. Electricians cannot think for dockers, the UDM cannot represent teachers.

The Government should know this. The TUC is, and must be, an integral part of Britain's industrial, social and political landscape. It has to be worked with, not made an enemy of. It is true that it is losing members. Its influence is in decline. But it will not disappear and it cannot be ignored, or only at a price.

But, then, no one with any real understanding of industrial society would want to ignore it. Apart from the fact that it is the chosen and exclusive representative of almost a majority of working people, it also has a great deal of specialist knowledge and experience to put at the disposal of the community.

The value of this, and of *having a single* representative of working people able to speak with confident authority on their behalf, have been recognized and welcomed by Government of all three parties for nearly a century. The process of embracing the unions in the machinery of government did not begin with the post-war administration, as some seem to believe. The unions had been made partly responsible for the administration of the Port of London as long ago as 1908. Churchill sought their advice in *1909* on the details of his labour exchanges and his national insurance scheme. They were entitled to appoint representatives to advise the Board of Trade on the mining industry in the 1920s *and, among* other things, sat on the First World War Pensions Committee. The process has continued ever since, and so it should.

It is important to kill off the anti-trade union philosophy that is developing. The new-found and Government-encouraged confidence of some employers, especially those from abroad, that has enabled them to insist on single-union, no-strike or no-union agreements, might look attractive and even trendy, but such employers are only storing up trouble for the future. What their admirers seem to forget is that the unions have traditionally been conducive to good *industrial relations. They are the* enablers of orderly and stable collective agreements. The Donovan Commission paid testimony to this. It acknowledged that the unions were lubricants rather *than irritants, a force for order* rather than a cause of chaos.

This is why collective bargaining and trade unionism have been encouraged by employers and governments for decades. Neither was responding to fad or embracing a fashion, as today's union-knockers seem to be. Rather, they were accepting an industrial reality which also happened to be the means of conducting orderly negotiations. They also accepted what the anti-trade unionists of today seem to deny: *that it is the* worker's prerogative to determine who shall represent him when selling his labour, and that his right is not abrogated by the receipt of a pay packet.

The British trade union movement *has many faults*. But it also has a long and fine tradition of service to the working people that created it, and indeed to the country as a whole. This should be recognized by some of its current critics. They should also understand that as long as there is labour and capital so there will also, quite probably, be unions.

The pity of it is that there's not a union leader willing or able, or with time enough off from internal squabbling and the nobbling of the Labour Party, to get up on his feet and say so.

SEPT 16 ON THIS DAY **1929**

After the defeat of Germany in 1918, it took some time for the Allies to decide how Germany was to be "policed". Not unnaturally, the French feared a future German attack. By the end of 1929 British troops had come home.

RHINE ARMY

(From Our Special Correspondent)

WIESBADEN, Sept 15

Saturday was "zero day," when a definite start was made with the withdrawal proper of the British Army on the Rhine. In accordance with the official evacuation scheme the British garrisons stationed on the extreme north-western and north-eastern border of the British occupied zone were the first units to be withdrawn — namely, the 2nd Battalion, The Dorsetshire Regiment, from Moore Barracks at Bad Schwalbach, and the 2nd Battalion, The Leicestershire Regiment, from Givenchy Barracks at Königstein.

In this quiet village [Bad Schwalbach] hardly any of the inhabitants appeared at first to be aware that they were on the eve of an important event. But all were aroused by the strains of military music in the early hours of the afternoon. The small detachment of the Dorsets, led by their regimental band to the stirring tune of "Old Comrades", marched through the main thoroughfares of the village with a smart soldierly bearing and perfect military discipline, accompanied all the way down to the station by a throng of children. At the station the band played popular melodies, ending with "It's a long way to Tipperary", which ever since the beginning of the occupation has remained one of the most popular tunes with the British Army of the Rhine.

As for the mutual feelings of the German population and of the British troops at the hour of separation, it would be, in my opinion, a mistake to classify them strictly under either of the headings "rejoicing" or "sorrow". A clear distinction should be made between, on the one hand, the easily conceivable patriotic relief and joy of the German civilians at the close of the occupation, and the necessarily military point of view of the British troops, and, on the other hand, the purely human senti ments of both sides. It may b stated without exaggeration th the latter sort of feeling h prevailed, for the relations tween the German citizens the British soldiers have or whole been most cordial.

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SLOW DOWN

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Nigel Lawson, has two important stage performances ahead of him during the next few weeks. At the International Monetary Fund meeting in Berlin and again at the Conservative Party Conference in Brighton he will be called upon to account for his policies and explain recent developments in the economy.

The task will be a good deal more difficult than it would have been in the early summer. Then, Mr Lawson could point to a faster rate of growth than any other leading country, a still stable rate of inflation and a Budget which, if it fell short of root-and-branch reform, could still be described as the most important encouragement to the supply side of Britain's economy for years. Even the public argument with the Prime Minister over exchange rate policy left the Chancellor politically stronger.

Today the Budget is looking less well-judged than it did, inflation is rising and the current account of the balance of payments is heading for the biggest deficit since North Sea oil came fully on stream. To take account of these developments interest rates have been raised to 12 per cent and may have to go up again before Mr Lawson faces the Tory faithful in Brighton.

If the Chancellor had his time over again he would no doubt try to bring growth in the economy back to a more sustainable rate by planning for a bigger Budget surplus this year than he in fact did. But that judgement is made with the benefit of hindsight.

At the start of the year practically no one expected growth in the world economy to be as fast as it has actually been. The German economy, for instance, was expected to grow by no more than 1 per cent instead of more than 3 per cent that is now in prospect, and the outlook in France has improved nearly as much. The underlying speed of growth during the second half of last year was badly underestimated and the effect of the stock market crash overestimated.

This kind of mistake is supposed to be corrected by the Government's medium-term financial strategy — and perhaps it will be. The whole point of planning a strategy over the medium term is that the country's economic managers do not attempt to tune the economy so finely as to bring about the number they first thought of in any particular 12-month period.

When fine-tuning was fashionable, it tended to accentuate the fluctuations in economic growth and inflation rather than smooth them out. Instead, the Government describes the direction of the path it wishes the economy to take over a period of years and formulates its plans to try to arrive at the destination — even if not by the exact path originally envisaged.

Setting policy within the framework of the medium-term strategy is not quite as straightforward, however, as ministers sometimes make out. The Budget surplus this year, or public sector debt repayment (PSDR) as the Chancellor likes to refer to it, is turning out considerably bigger than planned in the Budget. In one sense, therefore, policy is already tighter than expected. Yet, as Mr Lawson has admitted, that growth has been unsustainably fast.

The judgement Mr Lawson makes next March will depend on the effect this summer's rise in interest rates has already had by then in cooling demand. Changes in interest rates do not work instantaneously. The Government needs to assess the effects of 12 per cent base rates in curbing high street spending and the giddy rise in house prices over the next few months.

Conventional analysis might stop there. Yet the capacity to supply is just as important in setting the right policy framework as the level of demand. Even the sceptics have now mostly conceded that the supply side of the British economy has significantly improved during the past few years. A high level of new investment has made industry more productive, competition has been fostered more widely and labour relations set in a more satisfactory framework. The economy has become more efficient.

The significance of the Chancellor's most recent Budget will over a period prove as important for supply as it has over a shorter timespan for demand. These improvements in economic efficiency will permit a higher level of demand in safety.

It will be demanding a good deal of the very different audiences in Berlin and in Brighton to direct their attention towards the medium term. Yet that is what the Chancellor should ask them to do. The short-term priority meanwhile is to slow down the present over-rapid growth in the economy to a more sustainable rate.

THE BONN-PARIS AXIS

Western Europe has spun on a Franco-German axis for most of the time since the Second World War. But the movement has been neither as smooth nor as effortless as is sometimes supposed. Reports of a grating noise in Bonn and Paris suggest some current strains upon the mechanism.

The foundations of what was already a sound working relationship were cemented by the Franco-German friendship treaty of 1963. Last January, the two governments celebrated the silver jubilee of that historic accord by signing a second agreement. This set up two councils, one covering defence and the other finance, to co-ordinate their policies in future.

It was the former (and the associated decision to set up a joint army brigade) which excited most attention — if only because of the British Government's misgivings. But it is the latter which was valued most in Paris and which is now causing trouble.

However closely they may be driven towards Bonn by their commercial and other interests, the French have always regarded their former adversaries as rivals. French resentment is most apparent in financial matters, in particular over the extent of France's economic dependence on West Germany. It is the Deutschmark not the French franc which rules in Europe.

The French saw the Finance Council as a vehicle they could use to persuade the West Germans to adopt more expansionist policies and lower interest rates. Two months ago, however, the Bundesbank not only raised key interest rates, but signally failed to consult its French friends first. It did not even bother to inform Paris until less than 24 hours before it acted.

One result was that, a mere six months after the back-slapping and cork-popping that had accompanied the signing of the Franco-German agreement, the French Finance Minister, M. Pierre Beregovoy, launched a forthright attack on the monetarists in Bonn for acting as a "lone cavalier" in Europe. Another consequence is that the treaty, which should have been ratified this autumn, now looks likely to be delayed until next spring. This might be clarified at today's Finance Council meeting in Frankfurt.

Although French sensitivity is one cause of the treaty's present difficulties, another source of misunderstanding lies within the Bundesbank. The bank, sometimes called West Germany's strategic deterrent, enjoys (and jealously guards) a unique degree of autonomy in Bonn. It made clear from the outset its resentment at the very idea of a formal treaty which might oblige it to surrender some of this "sovereignty" over policies.

The West German Foreign Ministry, under the control of Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, remains anxious to promote the treaty in the interests of political co-operation between the two countries. But the Bundesbank is strongly resisting such pressure and has enlisted powerful support from German industry. In such circumstances, ratification of the January treaty will be much more difficult than it once seemed.

It may still happen, but some compromises will probably be necessary along the way. For instance, the treaty may require a preamble which enshrines the Bundesbank's claim to independence from outside pressure, and this might not be well received in Paris. There is little fear that the Franco-German axis will stop spinning, but the machinery once more looks in need of maintenance.

OPPOSING THE GENERAL

For Chile's opposition parties, the current plebiscite campaign on General Pinochet's rule is their chance to offer an alternative. Two main blocs have appeared: the Christian Democrats and their smaller allies, and the Communist Party and its associates on the far left. Chileans have long been among the most politically minded peoples of Latin America, and within these groups there is no shortage of individual parties to choose from.

In General Pinochet they all have a shrewd and ruthless opponent. He is no mere Latin American caudillo and has done all he can to stack the cards in his favour. For years opposition groups were banned and demoralized, although the activities of the non-Marxist parties were sometimes accorded a certain tolerance. Even now they have been allowed to come out into the open, they tend to appear in a negative light.

The constitution does not allow the opposition parties to present an alternative candidate to General Pinochet — and when the Christian Democrats suggested that they should none the less name one, the smaller partners refused. So they have been reduced to campaigning for a "no" vote. This has enabled General Pinochet to present the issue in the time-honoured formulation: me or chaos.

This is reinforced by the uncertainty about what will happen if there is a "no" majority on October 5. It would be a clear disavowal of General Pinochet and, by implication, of military rule. But the General would be allowed to remain in office for a further year, and he would still be head of the Army and the National Security Council. No party or party leader would have a formal mandate to negotiate a transition to civilian rule.

The Christian Democrats can, however, draw on considerable experience of office, even though it was back in the administration of Eduardo Frei in the 1960s. Their leaders, old and new, have been active in the campaign. They are taking pains to present themselves as a modern alternative to the Pinochet regime. They would reintroduce democracy, but not completely reverse the current free-market policies, which have been notably successful. They would simply give them a greater social content.

The traditionally powerful Communist Party has significantly been excluded from the Christian Democrat bloc. The Communists were in any case reluctant to take part in the plebiscite, taking the view that the opposition could not win. The Christian Democrats, with their centrist faction in control, were anxious not to be tainted by association with the left, and in particular the Popular Unity Government of Salvador Allende, who was overthrown in 1973 and widely discredited.

In spite of the abysmal human rights record of the Pinochet years, the plebiscite is not just about democracy as against military dictatorship. It is also about economic and social policies. Here, despite ups and downs, General Pinochet can point to considerable achievements. Chile is the economic success story of Latin America, even if the prosperity is unevenly distributed. The task of the opposition is to convince the middle class that they will not jeopardize this — and could even do better.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

European views on rule of law

From Mr Colin Dauris

Sir, The statement by M. Jacques Delors to the TUC (report, September 9) that it was impossible to rebuild Europe on deregulation highlights the fundamental difference between the British attitude to legislating and that in the other major countries of the European Community.

The legal systems in those countries are based on civil law, a system codified in Byzantium, itself a byword for administrative complexity. Under these systems generally one may do only what is legally permitted. Regulation is therefore considered normal and ordinary citizens, inured against the likelihood of change, much less of deregulation, become accustomed to evading or ignoring inconvenient laws.

Under the common law the general rule is that one may do whatever is not legally prohibited. Citizens still expect that, at least after the making of enough fuss, unacceptably burdensome laws are likely to be ameliorated or even repealed.

The differences of approach under the respective systems are contrasted in the reactions to EC proposals. The Commission produces "impact assessments", which estimate the effects and probable costs to businesses of draft directives. Till now, at least, the UK Government seems to have been the only one to make comments regularly on the assessments. Indeed, some Brussels officials have come to consider these assessments as just a British device to frustrate smooth development of the Community.

Secondly, the representative organizations of the independent businesses in many member states often appear to accept with equanimity the Commission's proposals for regulation, provided there is a *quid pro quo* in the form of an EC grant or other cheap finance for their businesses. This reaction is complemented by that of Community officials who, when told of a burden on businesses, respond by explaining the availability of a grant, not by considering the possibility of repealing or amending the offending regulation.

The attitude of M. Delors seems counter-productive to those who recognize that a market will stagnate if regulated beyond a critical level. It is, however, founded in a tradition which is deeply rooted in most EC states, but which seems foreign to us.

Yours etc.,
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Studies of conflict

From the Director, Institute for European Defence & Strategic Studies

Sir, While it is entirely appropriate that Michael Goodwin's record as director of the Institute for the Study of Conflict should have been recognised, it is regrettable that his obituary (September 9) should have implied criticism of Brian Crozier, his predecessor.

Crozier not only founded the institute, but gave it a remarkable vigour, energy and growth. Under his direction the series of conflict studies quickly established a reputation for uncompromising but informed analyses of communist-inspired aggression and expansion which were widely read and used by scholars, Civil Servants, and members of the Armed Services at home and abroad.

It is wrong to imply that because under Crozier's direction its publications were often controversial they were flawed. Indeed, the detailed and substantial *Annual of Power and Conflict*, based on another of Crozier's original conceptions, was held in regard by students of international relations as an extremely reliable and useful reference work.

It is sad that this had to be discontinued not long after Crozier's departure as director because of economic reasons and that the excellent newspaper cuttings library, which had been available to all serious scholars, whatever their political beliefs, should first have had to be run down and finally disposed of for similar reasons.

Michael Goodwin's qualities were real ones, but it is unfortunate that in acknowledging these you should have appeared to criticise those of his dynamic predecessor.

Yours faithfully,
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Troubles in Ireland

From Mr N. R. Taylor

Sir, Whilst Mrs Maureen Gray (September 3) certainly picked on one of the key issues to resolving the North Irish problem — integrated schooling — it must be pointed out that the Government is morally forced into endorsing a segregated educational system.

Northern Irish State-run schools are, as in all other parts of Britain, in principle non-sectarian; and there do exist integrated schools where a few Catholics are educated alongside Protestants. However, the Catholic Church, as a general rule, actively discourage their children from being educated at schools outside their sphere of influence. Similarly, they prevent attendance at those schools of Protestants.

Is Mrs Gray suggesting that the Government should adopt the politically perilous step of declining to fund Catholic schools, or merely that they should exert more influence over the power of the Catholic Church in Northern Ireland?

Yours faithfully,
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September 14

Judgment of Solomon

From Mr Henry Seymour

Sir, Because of the Pope's recent visit to South Africa (report, September 15) will he now be blacklisted from touring India?

Yours sincerely,
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Iraqi attitudes to Kurdish claims

From Lord Kilbracken

Sir, To discredit eye-witness reports by Iraqi Kurds of the devastating chemical attacks on them by Government aircraft the Ambassador and other Iraqi spokesmen have lately taken to speaking of the Kurds as being no better than gangsters and bandits, as traitors to their own country (by which they mean Iraq) in its hour of peril by fighting alongside and accepting material aid from a mortal enemy (Iran) in its invasion of their homeland. This is a total misrepresentation of the facts.

The Kurds of Iraq have been at war with Baghdad, fighting for basic democratic rights and ultimately autonomy, since 1961, with occasional frail truces. Their armed struggle thus antedates the Iraq-Iran war by more than a decade.

They have no genetic, political, or religious affinity with Iran or the Iranian revolution (they are easy-going Sunnis) but happen to share a common enemy with them: Saddam Hussein. This has been the sole reason for Iran supporting them, on a relatively minor scale under the Shah, till it suited him to abandon them in 1975, and more extensively under Khomeini until the recent ceasefire.

The Kurds do not regard Iraq as "their own country" — any more than Ireland, for example, so regarded the United Kingdom in 1916-21. They seek a state of their own, as promised to them by the Allies under the Treaty of Sèvres in 1920.

It was only because Britain, in particular, later reneged on these treaty obligations that no State of Kurdistan was created, embracing those Kurdish regions that had fallen within the Ottomon Empire. Instead they were partitioned and allocated to the tender mercies of Turkey, Syria, and Iraq. In each case successive governments have always been alien to them and have exploited and maltreated them.

It would be naive to suppose that the Kurds of Iraq might have refused sorely-needed aid from Iran, despite lack of political sympathy, at a time when no other state offered succour of any kind, or opposed the invasion of Iraqi Kurdistan by the Iranians, whom they saw as deliverers.

The Iraqi Government, in any case, is in no position to condemn their acceptance of such support when they themselves, since early in the Gulf War, supplied arms and moral backing on a wide scale to the Kurds across the border in Iran, intending that they should be used by them against "their own country" (i.e., in this case, Iran).

Until a struggle for independence succeeds, those waging it will always be seen by those opposing it as terrorists, disloyal to their native land, and by their followers and supporters as heroes and patriots who seek freedom for their homeland. De Valera was a terrorist, Ben Gurion was a terrorist, Machel was a terrorist.

Once independence has been achieved, however, such erstwhile gangsters soon become respected heads of state, applauded and acclaimed for their high moral standards and democratic principles, often welcomed as honoured guests by the governments of countries that ruled them, whilst the tattered guerrilla leaders, no longer bandits, form the nucleus of their governments.

This fact of history accounts for the different evaluations, as between the Baghdad Government and myself, of Jalal Talabani and Massud Barzani, the joint Kurdish leaders in Iraq, as their *Peshmerga* freedom fighters.

Yours etc,
JOHN KILBRACKEN,
House of Lords.
September 14.

Vaccination for all

From Dr E. L. Teare

Sir, From October 1 the mumps, measles, rubella vaccine (MMR) will be offered to all pre-school children with the ultimate aim of eradicating these three infections from the UK. It is notable that we have been singularly less successful in controlling these diseases than other countries, particularly North America. In the UK these three infections still cause very significant morbidity and occasionally mortality.

Measles is highly infectious and can cause encephalitis and permanent brain damage. It may also be associated with ear infections, bronchitis, and pneumonia, sometimes leading to long-term respiratory complications. Each year some children die as a result of measles.

Mumps is the most common cause of childhood viral meningitis and may result in permanent deafness. Mumps results in about 1,200 hospital admissions per year in England and Wales.

Rubella in pregnancy still causes an average of 20 cases of the congenital rubella syndrome each year.

Whilst vaccination remains voluntary, our efforts may well be unsuccessful, as there are still many families and social groups who refuse all kinds of vaccination for a variety of reasons. For the benefit of the population as a whole it might be preferable to make completion of a vaccination course (in the absence of genuine contra-indications) a legal requirement for school entry.

In the United States, where this policy already exists, mumps, measles, and rubella are virtually extinct.

Yours faithfully,
LOUISE TEARE (consultant microbiologist),
Chelmsford Public Health
Laboratory Service,
New Writtle Street,
Chelmsford, Essex.
September 9.

Cholera protection

From Dr John Seaman

Sir, Mr Toby Jessel's observations (September 14) in Bengal in 1971 of the attempted enforcement of mass cholera immunization by making this a condition for food distribution are correct. His contention that this was effective either in ensuring that immunization was done, or in preventing an epidemic, is not.

Current cholera vaccines (as opposed to measles and some other vaccines) have little effect and no place in epidemic prevention or control. The persistence of cholera immunization after disasters results more from its popularity with bureaucrats and politicians, for whom it provides a quick, cheap, and highly visible activity.

In the camp in which I worked in West Bengal in 1971, one of the most accessible to immunization, very few people were actually immunized. Most simply bought a forged stamp, which was much quicker and more convenient than seeking out a vaccinator and queuing for hours. The practice was soon abandoned.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN SEAMAN (Senior
Overseas Medical Officer),
The Save the Children Fund,
Mary Datchelor House,
17 Grove Lane, Camberwell, SE5.
September 14.

No time like present

From Sir Alan Cottrell, FRS, FEng

Sir, I appreciated the story in *The Times* Diary (September 14) about my good friend, Lord Plumb, and his problem in the Sovietskaya Hotel. However, I have to point out to him that the lady receptionist, in her negative response to his question, "Isn't now a specific time?", was philosophically impregnable. Now is the most unspecific of all times, since every single moment of human time is a now.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN COTTRELL,
40 Maids Causeway, Cambridge.
September 14.

Isis Innovation has long roots

From Mr D. B. Welbourn, FEng

Sir, Regrettably, the writer of your leader, "Innovation on the Isis" (September 7), failed to mention the foresight and generosity of the Wolfson Foundation, which 18 years ago provided universities with £2 million to enable them to set up industrial collaboration units, and followed up this initial pump-priming activity with further large sums. Tribute should be paid to the trustees of the Wolfson Foundation, and in particular to Lord Zuckerman, for their far-sightedness.

If British industry has been less willing to collaborate with the universities than it might have been, much of the blame must be laid on our schooling system, which allows boys and girls to leave school innumerate.

In Germany, with which we are often compared unfavourably in the field of industrial collaboration, no one can get into an arts or any other faculty without having done mathematics and either physics or chemistry, as well as their own and a foreign language, and history, as compulsory subjects in their school-leaving examination. Mr Baker, take note!

Yours truly,
D. B. WELBOURN,
4 Amhurst Court,
Grange Road, Cambridge.
September 9.

From the Managing Director of Isis Innovation Ltd

Sir, Mr Ponsonby (September 12) is right to point out the record of success in America in commercially exploiting scientific breakthroughs.

However, Oxford University has created an environment to ensure that its academics can be interested in the profitable application of their know-how to everyone's benefit. Many key people here are increasingly aware of the business world, and some senior posts are occupied by scientists who continue to hold appointments in industry and commerce.

Furthermore, the appointment of a managing director in Isis Innovation Ltd from the industrial and commercial world shows that Oxford knows how to close the gap.

Yours faithfully,
JAMES HIDDLESTON,
Managing Director,
Isis Innovation Ltd,
2 South Parks Road, Oxford.
September 13.

Pupils in Wandsworth

From Mr Donald Naismith

Sir, In response to Mr Fletcher's letter (September 14), may I make it clear that I have no plans for teaching citizenship in Wandsworth when I take up my position there next month. The curriculum policy of the new authority will be decided by the council after extensive consultation with all concerned.

At this stage I should merely like to say that I hope we will be able to teach our young people not to jump to conclusions without checking the facts.

Yours faithfully,
DONALD NAISMITH,
Director of Education, Croydon,
The Education Department,
Taberner House, Park Lane,
Croydon, Surrey.
September 14.

Postal dispute

From the Chief Land Registrar

Sir, In reply to Mr Penty's letter (September 12) HM Land Registry does not "subscribe" in any formal sense to the services provided by private companies. It permits the delivery of mail by this means but, as Mr Penty indicates, there is no facility for its despatch.

The possibility of making use of this courier [the document exchange system] has been kept under continuous review, but a number of difficulties have stood in the way. Not least is the volume of the registry's business.

During the course of last year well over eight million applications of various types, including many involving bulky packets, have been despatched by the registry. The service of the Post Office could not be entirely excluded and the registry would have to take on the additional burden of sorting the post between them and the private courier. A satisfactory service is usually provided by the Post Office and our financial arrangement with them is of a competitive nature.

The possibility of using private couriers is still being kept in mind. Before the start of the present dispute the first steps had been taken towards mounting a trial based on the registry's three locations in the Plymouth area.

Yours faithfully,
E. J. PRYER,
Chief Land Registrar,
HM Land Registry,
Lincoln's Inn Fields, WC2.
September 14.

From Dr M. Kingsley Williams

Sir, In order to correct local inequalities of supply and demand the Post Office, with Government backing, wishes to introduce local wage differentials.

The secretarial service to consultants — a vital part of the NHS — is collapsing here because the employing district health authority is not allowed by Government to do precisely this.

Sauce for the goose. . .?

Yours faithfully,
M. K. WILLIAMS (Chairman,
GP Division, Mid-Surrey
Health Authority),
Sharston Lodge, Fortyfoot Road,
Leatherhead, Surrey.
September 13.

From Mrs R. M. L. Sykes

Sir, This morning I received my first letter since the postal dispute began. It came from the Customer Care Department of the Post Office in Brighton, requiring details of an item that had gone astray. It was posted yesterday.

Apt, prompt and efficient?

Yours faithfully,
ROSALIND SYKES,
Warrenside, Millbridge,
Frensham, Farnham, Surrey.
September 14.

From the Rev Geoffrey C. Lee

Sir, This morning my postman came back to work. He delivered one electricity bill.

Is there any way he can be persuaded to go on strike again?

Yours truly,
GEOFFREY C. LEE,
63 Hotham Road,
Putney, SW15.
September 14.

From Mr Ivor Turnbull

Sir, One method of dealing with junk mail which clutters the fax machine (letter, September 15) is to keep a blacklist of products and services so advised and to advise the sender (by fax, of course) that his name has been added to the list.

Yours etc.,
IVOR TURNBULL, Editor,
Antiques Trade Gazette,
17 Whitcomb Street, WC2.
September 15.

From Mr Victor Stone

Sir, I have the answer to Mr Barrington's problem of a hindered outgoing message — two fax machines, one with an ex-directory number. I would have dearly liked a second machine in the last few days!

Yours etc.,
VICTOR STONE, Solicitor,
8 Thurloe Street,
South Kensington, SW7.
September 15.

Until the postal backlog is cleared letters to the Editor may be sent to a temporary fax number, (01) 782 5864.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 15: The Prince of Wales, *Patron, the British Film* Institute, this morning opened the Museum of the Moving Image on the South Bank, London SE1.

Sir John Riddell, Bt, and Mr Richard Arbiter were in attendance.

His Royal Highness, Patron, the *South Atlantic Fund*, received Admiral Sir Richard Fitch and Rear-Admiral Brian Brown at Kensington Palace.

Subsequently His Royal Highness, Colonel-in-Chief, The Parachute Regiment, received Colonel Edward Gardener upon relinquishing the appointment of Regimental Colonel, and Colonel Hamish McGregor upon assuming the appointment at Kensington Palace.

This afternoon The Prince of Wales inaugurated the first project of the Rosehaugh Housing Initiative and subsequently launched the Rosehaugh Self-Build Natinal Initiative at Dunbridge Street, Tower Hamlets.

Sir John Riddell, Bt, was in attendance.

The Prince of Wales received the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Environment (Mr D.A. Trippier, MP) at Kensington Palace.

His Royal Highness this evening gave a dinner at Kensington Palace for Business Action Team Leaders.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 15: The Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Army Educational Corps, *today visited the Corps* Headquarters at Eltham Palace, London SE9.

Mrs Howard Page was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 15: The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the UK Committee for Unicef, today attended the launch of Unicef World Children's Week at the Barbican, London EC2 and later attended a Children's Party in aid of the Paul O'Gorman Foundation for Children with Leukaemia in Battersea Park, London SW8.

Miss Sarah Partridge was in attendance.

Birthdays today

Miss Lauren Bacall, actress, 64; Mr Tommy Carberry, jockey, 47; Sir Alexander Giles, colonial administrator, 73; Lord Grimthorpe, 73; *Mr* Charles Haughey, Prime Minister of the Republic of Ireland, 63; Lord Henderson of Brompton, 66; *Mr* Andy Irvine, rugby player, 37; the Very Rev W.B. Johnston, Chaplain to The Queen in Scotland, 67; Mr Lee Kuan Yew, Prime Minister of Singapore, 65; Mr Kenneth Lindsay, former *MP, 91; Sir John* Megaw, former Lord Justice of Appeal, 79; Surgeon Rear-Admiral L. B. Osborne, 88; Sir John Page, former MP, 69; Baroness Pike, 70; Dame Sheila Quinn, nursing adviser, British Red Cross Society, 68; Lord Ryder of Eaton Hastings, 72; Mrs Steve Shirley, *founder*, F *International Group*, 55; Professor Sir John Walton, warden, Green College, Oxford, 66.

Gownboy Dinner

The Gownboy Dinner will be held at the House of Lords on Wednesday, September 21, 7.00 pm for 8.00 pm. Owing to postal strike would all Old Gownboys who wish to attend please urgently telephone Lord Hacking on (01) 247 6555 to confirm their applications have been received. The House of Lords admission cards will be hand *delivered to all London postal* addresses.

The King's School, Canterbury

Honorary King's Scholarships
As a result of excellent work in the *GCSE examinations, the* following have been elected Honorary Scholars:

Bronwen Aldridge, Simon Langton School for Girls; Alexandra Brown, Ashford School for Girls; A.M.H. Darley, King's School and Eylesden Court, Bearsted; J.A. Eddison, King's School and Lockers Park; N.J.E. Flower, King's School and Cumnor House, Danehill; Victoria Ingham, The Coventry School, Henry VIII; Bonnie Thompson, Charters-Ancasters College.

Trollope Society

The first Trollope Society annual lecture will be given by Professor Philip Collins on "Trollope and London" after the society's annual general meeting at 6.00pm on Thursday, October 13, in the John Power Hall, Chatham House, 10 St James's Square, London. Inquiries to 9a North Street, London, SW4 OHN (01-720-6789).

Aiglon College Switzerland

Autumn Term begins today and ends on December 12. Jennifer Akers is School Guardian. A Choral Concert with works by Purcell, Mozart and Haydn will *be given on* Friday, *November* 11, followed by Parents' Weekend on November 12 to 13. The carol service will be on Sunday, December 11. The fortieth anniversary celebrations begin with a reunion at the school in Switzerland from December 28 to January 1. A reception will be held on Thursday, October 27, at the home of June Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair, at Haddo House, Aberdeen, Scotland, and interested parents should contact the Headmaster's Secretary. Telephone Switzerland (025) 35 27 21.

Luncheons

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister was host yesterday at a luncheon held at Lancaster House in honour of Dr Edward Fenech-Adami, Prime Minister of Malta. *Others* present were:

Dr Censu Tabone, the High Commissioner for Malta and Mrs Manduca, Mr John Camilleri, Mr Richard Cachia Caruna, Mr Adrian Camilleri; the Hon George Younger, MP, and Mrs Younger, the Hon Nicholas Ridley, MP, Mr Antony Newton, MP, and Mrs Newton, Lord and Lady Glenarthur, the Hon Peter Brooke, MP, the Hon Alan Clark, MP, and Mrs Clark, the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, Lord and Lady Marshall of Goring, Lord Alexander of Weedon, QC, and Lady Alexander, the Hon Rocco and Mrs Forte, Sir John Junor, Sir Frank and Lady Gibb, Sir James Spicer, MP, and Lady Spicer.

Mr Roy Hughes, MP, and Mrs Hughes, Mr and Mrs John Raisman, Mr and Mrs Alan Sugar, Mr and Mrs P F Orchard, Mr Roger Davies, Mr and Mrs John Anderson, Captain and Mrs J R G Trechman, Sir John and Lady Fretwell, Mr Brian Hitch and Mr and Mrs Charles Powell.

Royal Society
Professor Sir George Porter, President of the Royal Society, presided at a luncheon given by the society at 6 Carlton House Terrace yesterday for a delegation from The Netherlands attending a two-day discussion on science and civilization under William and Mary, organized as part of the William and Mary Tercentenary celebrations. The Netherlands Ambassador, the President of the Royal Netherlands Academy and leader of the delegation and the President of the British Academy were the principal guests.

Mid Atlantic Club
The French Ambassador was the guest of honour and speaker at a luncheon given by the Mid Atlantic Club of London at Dartmouth House yesterday. Lord Ezra presided.

Yorkshire Television
Sir Derek Palmar, chairman, and Mr Clive Leach, managing director, were hosts at the Yorkshire Television luncheon at Merchant Taylors' Hall, on Thursday, September 15. Among those present were:

The Hon Douglas Hurd, MP, Mr John Wakeham, MP, Viscount Blakenham, the Earl of Airlie, Lord Willis, Baroness Falkender, Lady Littler, the Mayor and Mayoress of Kirklees, the Mayor and Mayoress of Lincoln, Sir David English, Sir Alastair Burnet, Mr David Nicholas, representatives of Yorkshire area from commerce, industry and the professions, members of City institutions and the financial press.

Dinner

Royal Philatelic Society, London
The Royal Philatelic Society, London held their presidents' dinner at Painters' Hall last night. Mr Patrick C. Pearson, president, presided. Mr John H. Levett, Dr Alan K. Huggins and Lord Quinton, Chairman of the British Library, also spoke.

Today's royal engagements

The Prince of Wales will open the new Avex Electronics Factory, Kelvin Industrial Estate, East Kilbride, at 10.15; and visit Community Opportunities West *Lothian to open a major* exhibition to celebrate the organization's fifth birthday at 11.45.

Memorial service

Mr Hugh Tryon Bartlett
A memorial service for Mr Hugh Tryon Bartlett was held yesterday in Christ's Chapel of Alleyn's College of God's Gift, Dulwich College. The Right Rev F.W. Cocks officiated and gave an address. Mr A.C.F. Verity, Master of Dulwich College, and Mr Anthony Bartlett, son, read the lessons.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J. Heseltine
Miss J.H. Hobbs
The engagement is announced between Mr John Heseltine, son of Sir William and Lady Heseltine, of Kensington, London, and Jane Hensher, daughter of Mrs Kenneth Hobbs and stepdaughter of Colonel Kenneth Hobbs, of Birchover, Derbyshire.

Mr S.A. Blausten
and Miss C.M. Dux
The engagement is announced between Simon, third son of Mr and Mrs Cyril Blausten, of Hampstead Garden Suburb, London, and Caroline, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Eric Dux, of Richmond, Surrey.

Captain F.M. Brown, USAF
and Miss K. Nutt
The engagement is announced between Francis Michael Brown and Karin, daughter of Flight Lieutenant and Mrs R.D. Nutt, of Linden House, Gazeley, Suffolk.

Mr J.P. Byles
and Miss M.J. Kennedy
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of Dr Peter H. and Dr Joan M. Byles, of Syracuse, New York, and Marion, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Joseph W. Kennedy, of *Lower Heswall*, Wirral.

Mr J.G. de Courcy O'Grady
and Miss S.J. Davies
The engagement is announced between Jonathan Garth, son of Mr and Mrs Patrick de Courcy O'Grady, of Lucca, Italy, and Sally Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Davies, of Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

Mr S.P. Dix
and Miss K.J. Laurence
The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of Professor G. Dix, of Norwich, Norfolk, and Mrs A. Brothers, of Nairobi, Kenya, and Karen, *daughter of Mr P. Laurence, of* St Brelades, Jersey, and Mrs J. Toyn, of Brenchley, Kent.

Mr N.D. Fulford
and Miss C.E. Brown
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, eldest son of Mr Philip Fulford and the late Mrs Peggy Fulford, of Brent Pelham, Hertfordshire, and Clare Elizabeth, only daughter of the Rev Michael and Mrs Brown, of Godalming, Surrey.

Mr D.P. Howden
and Miss E.B. Björklund
The engagement is announced between David, son of the late Mr Philip Howden and of Mrs Anthony Vernon, of Rotherfield Greys, Oxfordshire, and Eva, daughter of Mr Lennart Andersson and Mrs Ulf Rung, of Gothenberg, Sweden.

Mr L.C. Howell
and Miss V.S. Elger
The engagement is announced between Laurence Christopher, son of Captain and Mrs L.E. Howell, of High Road House, Hightae, Dumfriesshire, and Victoria Suzanne, daughter of Mrs M.J. Elger, of Bassaleg, Newport, Gwent.

Mr D.H.C. Jenkins
and Miss A.L. Raymer
The engagement is announced between Christopher Jenkins, of Bonn, and Amanda, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M.R. Raymer, of Apethorpe, *Northamptonshire.*

Mr N.F. Lykiardopulo
and Miss S.A. Jones
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr F.P. Lykiardopulo, of London, SW1, and Mrs S. Lykiardopulo, of London, W8, and Sally, daughter of Colonel M.H. Jones, *of Bagendon, Gloucestershire,* and the late Mrs Rosemary Jones.

Mr A.C. Morris
and Miss D. Katten
The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mrs F. Morris and the late Mr P. Morris, of Nottingham, and *Deborah, only daughter of Mr* and Mrs J. Katten, of Mill Hill, London.

Mr H.C. Robinson
and Miss K.E. Leedham-Green
The engagement is announced between Huw Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs J. Robinson, of Grantham, Lincolnshire, and Kathleen Elisabeth, elder daughter of Dr Charles Richard Leedham-Green and Mrs Mary Elizabeth Leedham-Green (née Baldry), of Woodford Green, Essex.

Dr R. Stowe
and Mrs M. Cameron
The marriage will take place on October 29, between Roy Stowe, of Ramsgate, and Maureen Cameron, of Deal.

Marriages

Mr N.G.A. Rowley
and Miss B.E.M.J. Hayen
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 10, 1988, at St Paul's, Knightsbridge, of Mr Nicholas Rowley, only son *of Mr and Mrs F.A. Rowley, of* Boxalland Farm, Kirdford, West Sussex, to Miss Beatrice Hayen, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A. Hayen, of Hasselt, Belgium. The Rev A.C.C. Courtauld officiated.

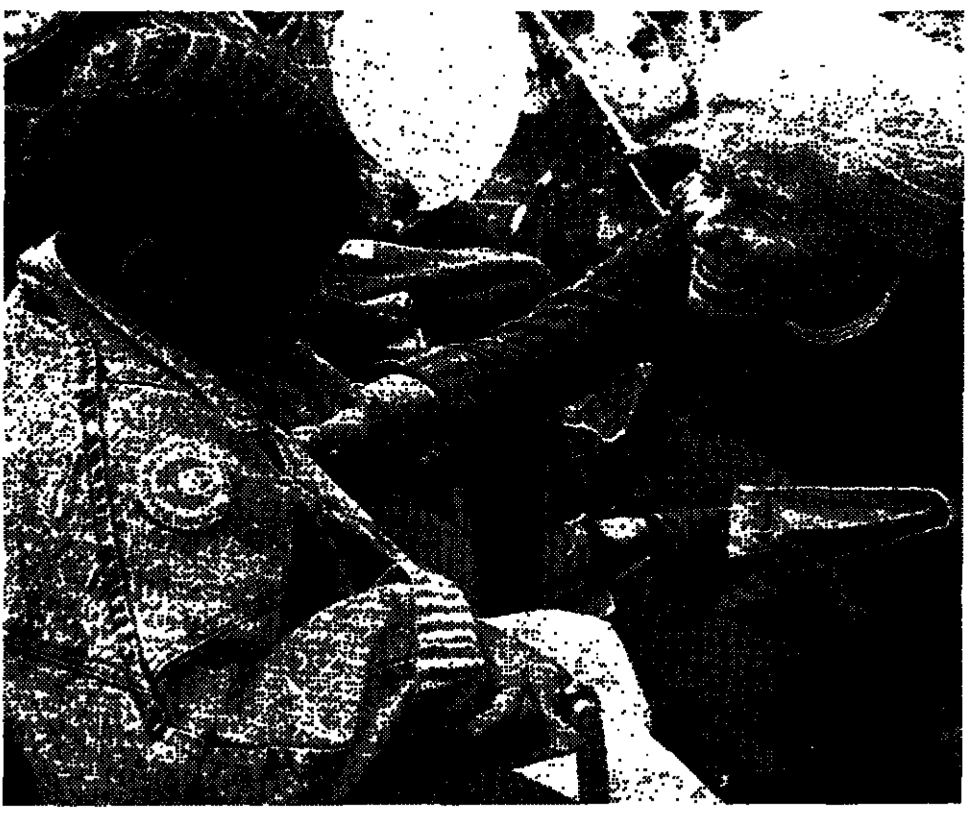
The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Joanna Reed, Miss Astrid Fryns, Caroline de Pauw, Harriet and Georgina Eastwood. Mr Johnny Van Haeften was best man.

A reception was held at Claridge's hotel and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr O-H. Thomssen
and Miss S.C.A. Jones
The marriage took place on Friday, September 9, 1988, at the Civic Centre, Newcastle upon Tyne, of Mr Olaf-Hendrik Thomssen to Miss Sheila Clare Annette Jones. Mr Peter D. Thompson and Miss Helena J. Braddock were witnesses.

A reception was held at Western House, Lowick, Northumberland.

Duchess in party mood



The Duchess of Kent making friends with a youngster at a children's party in aid of the Paul O'Gorman Foundation for Children with Leukaemia in Battersea Park, London, yesterday. Earlier, she had launched Unicef's World Children's Week at the Barbican.

Sale room

A curious, rewarding craze

By Jenny Gilbert

Applying perfectly good prints to sheets of glass and smothering them in turpentine and varnish was a curious English craze of the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries which apparently died out as swiftly as it had begun.

The odd examples which have occasionally turned up in the sale rooms had never aroused inordinate interest, so when Christie's undertook to sell the collection of some 180 such pictures, gathered over a decade by the Hon Christopher *Lennox-Boyd, it* envisaged a quietish sale.

But at the close of proceedings on Wednesday evening an unusual 99 per cent of lots had been sold, bringing in nearly £75,000 - double the expected total - and trumpeting *the advent of yet another* new collectors' market, just in case anyone imagined that inspiration or supply had run dry.

The top lot, a trio of sporting coloured mezzotints laid on glass, was bought by an American collector for £1,980, against an estimate of £600-800: A pair of pastoral scenes with winsome swains and shepherdesses in Kate Greenaway mode carried an estimate of £200-400 and sold for £1320.

Two marine prints with "general varnish discolouration and other minor defects" sold to a London gallery for £1,595 (upper estimate £600). Other subjects, ranging through the political, the historical and the lewd, hovered around the £1,000 mark.

"Minor varnish discolouration" was a defect of which mention was made in varying degrees throughout the catalogue, but it is so unreasonable to expect 200-year-old turpentine varnishes not to yellow that the defect becomes, in the case of prints laid on glass, almost a quality.

H. G. Clarke's book, *The Story of English Glass Pictures*, gives a an account of the messy processes required, leading one to wonder how many *fine English prints* were destroyed through the technique:

"Steep your Prints flat-ways in warm Water 4 or 5 hours ... sprad Venice Turpentine thin and even over the Glass and with your fingers dab it all over... lay the Print on the Glass stroaking outwards... wet the back side and with a bit of Spunge rub it lightly to rowl off the Paper by degrees but avoid rubbing it into holes... *Dry for 2 hours*, after which Varnish it over 4 or 5 times, or so often till you may see clearly thro' it".

Three drops of arsenic to cure a royal knee

A prescription for Queen Alexandra when she was Princess of Wales to take three drops of arsenic on a piece of bread twice a day is among royal memorabilia to be auctioned next week, it was disclosed last night.

The prescription, giving a solution of arsenic for royal knee ache, is dated July 27, 1867 when the Queen was Princess of Wales. It was sent to the then nurse to the Royal Family, "Jonnie" Jones.

It is among 30 items of royal memorabilia being sold at Tavistock, Devon, next Wednesday by order of the last surviving member of Nurse Jones's family, her great niece.

Mr Robin Fenner, the auctioneer, who describes it as "a unique collection", said the items include "a beautiful scrapbook of drawings and letters sent by the royal children and the Prince and Princess of Wales to Nurse Jones."

There are also several letters from royal doctors William Gull and James Padget, including one from Gull apologising to the Princess for forgetting that the Prince was ill.

There is also a prescription for a sleeping draught for the Prince of Wales involving "20 drops of chloric ether and 10 drops of spirit camphor".

Mr Fenner said the sale at the Stannary Gallery, Tavistock, was expected to attract international attention.

Latest wills

Latest estates include (net before tax paid):

Miss Ruth Graham Gilmour, of Mayfield, East Sussex £638,883.

Mr Gilbert Hudson, of Swanland, North Humberside........ £903,516.

Mr Thomas Frederick Keefe, of Bexhill, East Sussex... £430,995.

Mr Brian James Morgan Pearsall, of Churchill, near Kidderminster, Hereford and Worcester........ £464,664 net.

Mr John Cedric Spreat, of *Lynmouth Road, London* N16........ £624,903.

OBITUARY

GENERAL LAURIS NORSTAD

Steadying hand during Berlin crisis

General Lauris Norstad, who commanded Nato forces in Europe during the Berlin crisis of 1961, died in hospital in Tucson, Arizona, on September 12. He was 81.

Norstad, a spare-framed US Air Force officer, won the gratitude of Europe and the respect of President Kennedy for his cool handling of the alliance's forces during a tense period which saw the building of the Berlin wall, and which took the President himself to Berlin, to reassure (and amuse) its inhabitants with his celebrated "Ich bin ein Berliner" speech.

Kennedy afterwards wrote to Norstad: "You have become a living symbol of the United States commitment to the alliance and of the strength of the alliance itself".

But in truth, relations between the US executive and its soldier-servant in Europe were not always so cordial. Norstad saw himself not merely as an American soldier, but as being at the disposal of the Allies, and this attitude did not always recommend itself at home.

In addition, many members of the Kennedy administration saw him as a throwback to the previous era, since his career had first prospered under Eisenhower during the war.

Norstad, the son of a pastor of Scandinavian stock, was born in Minneapolis, on March 24, 1907, and went to West Point, from where he *was commissioned into the* cavalry. But he soon learned to fly and was transferred to the Air Corps.

The war gave him his first real chance to display the judgement and organizing

ability which later took him to the top. In 1942, on the staff of the 12th Air Force, he helped to plan the "Torch" landings in North Africa, and during the campaign itself he came to the notice of Eisenhower, on whom his great capacities made an idelible impression.

In the following year, though by now a brigadier-general and Director of Operations, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, he flew unofficially on some combat missions, and incurred the displeasure of Air Marshal Tedder.

In 1945 as Chief of Staff of the newly created 20th Air Force, he helped plan the devastating strategic air offensive against Japan by the advanced Superfortress bomber.

He began his long association with Nato in 1951 as C-*in-C US and Allied Air Forces* in Central Europe under his old chief, General Eisenhower. Later, as Air Deputy he exercised command over all Nato air forces, before becoming Supreme Allied Commander Europe in November 1956.

Though he had been with the Nato idea from its early days, it was a difficult moment to assume command. Europe had been shocked by the Hungarian *uprising and its* brutal suppression by the Russians, while the alliance itself was shaken by the Anglo-French action in Egypt. Meanwhile German rearmament seemed likely to produce fewer ground troops than was at first hoped.

Nevertheless Norstad set himself the task of creating a Nato army of 30 divisions. Though he wanted this force to be adequate to relieve the alliance of the responsibility for having to go nuclear too early in its defence, he was a great proponent of the idea of tactical nuclear weapons, at a time when many in the US adminsistration were thinking in conventional terms.

He wanted to create a Nato-controlled nuclear force, and planned a forward strategy which would contain any Warsaw Pact advance as far East as possible.

His contribution to the Berlin crisis apart, he guided Nato through some difficult years, *and though many of his* aims had not been achieved when he handed over to General Lemnitzer, in 1962, his long period at the helm was one of imaginative consolidation.

Norstad returned to civilian *life in 1963 and joined the* Owens-Corning Fibreglass Corporation, of which he was ultimately chairman and chief executive.

He was married with one daughter.

SIR FRANK FRANCIS

Sir Frank Francis, KCB, FSA, FMA, Director and Principal Librarian of the British Museum from 1959 to 1968, died yesterday at the age of 86.

The greater part of his working life was spent in the service of this venerable institution. The Museum, particularly in the immediate postwar years, had to solve many problems – of space, finance, and organization.

Nowhere was this more true than in Francis's own department, Printed Books, which had to cope with a vastly increased rate of growth, inadequate accommodation and a more numerous and demanding readership.

Not least were the repeated attempts to find a solution to the question of the library departments, where to acquire a suitable new site for them and what would be their relationship with the remaining Museum departments.

From the early 1950s he was closely connected with *successive plans for a new* library building. The ultimate solution, the creation of a fully independent British Library, owed much to his preliminary work.

Frank Chalton Francis was born in Liverpool on October, 5, 1901. From Liverpool Institute he went to Liverpool University, where he took a First in Classics. From 1923 to 1925 he pursued post-graduate studies at Emmanuel College, Cambridge.

After a year's schoolmastering he entered the Department of Printed Books of the British Museum as an assistant keeper.

He was soon made responsible for Swedish books and paid several visits to Sweden. He also studied Icelandic and became the Museum's principal expert in Scandinavian languages.

Like all young assistant keepers, he took his turn at relieving the Superintendent of the Reading Room. With his cheerfulness, patience and courtesy, he quickly became a favourite with the readers.

Meanwhile Francis's increasing reputation as a bibliographer had, in 1936, procured him the editorship of *The Library*, a post which he retained until 1953. He was first joint secretary (with R. B. McKerrow) and then secretary of the Bibliographical Society from 1938 to 1964, becoming its President, 1964-66.

Between 1929 and 1938 he contributed the section on Historical Bibliography to *The Year's Work in Librarianship* and for many years lectured and wrote on various aspects of bibliography.

In 1946 Francis became Secretary of the Museum. But he never felt fully at ease with purely administrative duties, and it was not without relief that in 1948 he returned to his old department as the junior of the two Keepers of Printed Books.

For much of his time he was concerned with the catalogue, especially with the decision to terminate the production of the second edition of the general catalogue (GKII) and to replace it with a photo-lithographic copy of the whole catalogue (GKIII).

But before this mammoth task was completed Francis had again left Printed Books. In 1959 he was appointed Director and Principal Librarian, the first Printed Books man to achieve that office since Winter Jones almost a *hundred years before. Francis* was, moreover, the last Director to be appointed under the original 1753 British Museum Act and the only one.

His period of office was not without its difficulties and he had the unenviable task of trying to retain unity amongst the various departments at a time when centrifugal forces were becoming ever more powerful.

It was thought by some that he favoured the Antiquities at the expense of Printed Books and the other library departments, but this reflected merely his passionate desire to always be fair.

Francis was by now a figure of international importance, to be seen at almost every library conference; he held office on the committees of many national and international library, and bibliographical bodies, and had several honorary degrees.

He married in 1927 Katrina McClennon, and they had two sons and a daughter.

THE MAHARAJA of BIKANER

Dr Karni Singhji Bahadur, who died in New Delhi on September 4, at the age of 64, was the last Maharaja of Bikaner, in the state of Rajasthan, *North West India.*

In fact he never ruled in the state. By the time he succeeded his father in 1950, independence and the integration of these princely fiefs with the body of the Indian state was a *fait accompli.* Nevertheless he was the last man to hold the title of Maharaja of Bikaner, and his death ends a princely tradition which goes back to the founding of the state in 1465 by Rao Bikaji, a son of the first ruler of the neighbouring state of Jodhpur.

He was born on April 21, 1924, a son of Maharaja Sir Sadul Singhji, the last *de facto* ruler of Bikaner. His grandfather was the great Indian statesman General Sir Ganga Singhji, who came to the *gadi* in early boyhood and whose rule extended over some 56 years.

Sir Ganga Singhji was the best known and most widely esteemed of the Indian Princes in the closing half-century of British suzerainty. A co-opted member of Lloyd George's war Cabinet he was also a signatory of the Treaty of Versailles at the conclusion of hostilities, and was the first Chancellor of the Indian Chamber of Princes established in 1921.

Karni Singhji was educated at St Stephen's College, Delhi and St Xavier's College, Bombay.

He read history and politics; for his PhD he researched in Mediaeval Indian history at the Indian Historical Institute in Bombay.

At 17 he accompanied his grandfather on a visit to the Middle East War Front, and was awarded the Africa Star, War Medal and the Indian Service Medal. After the war he travelled widely in Europe.

For this unassuming, scholarly man, life was to be a very different affair from what it

had been for the heads of princely families before 1947. True, for some years the privileges of the princes were respected by the government of India, and they were able to live on in some degree of subsidised pomp.

But under Mrs Gandhi, these privileges, too, came under severe scrutiny, and it remained to Dr Karni Singhji to serve the interests of those who had been his father's subjects, but who were now his constituents, as a member of the Lok Sabha (Lower House of the Indian Parliament) from 1952 to 1977.

He had little political ambition beyond the welfare of his Bikaner constituents (political ambition would, anyway, have been impossible to one outside the main party groupings) but he gave his full support to the successive steps whereby the Indian princely states were integrated on the democratic basis provided for by the Constitution of the Indian Union.

He was a keen photographer and made a close study of the social services in various countries.

He also inherited from his famous grandfather a love of sport. He was an accomplished clay pigeon shot and represented his country at the Olympic Games in Rome (1960); Tokyo (1964); Mexico (1968); Munich (1972) and Moscow (1980).

He leaves his widow, the Maharani Sushila, a son and two daughters.

MAJ BRUCE MacMANAWAY

Major Bruce MacManaway, who died on August 7, aged 69, was perhaps the most notable practitioner and teacher of healing in Scotland in a generation.

He joined the Army in 1939 and it was during the retreat to Dunkirk that he first became aware of his great gift of healing as he treated the wounded.

He was rightly proud of his Army service, and in later years often cited in his teaching the best characteristics of military life; loyalty, responsibility, integrity and unselfishness. He himself amply demonstrated all those qualities in his own career.

Both his parents possessed psychic gifts and he inherited this strain. Working, after the war, with some of the leading mediums, he developed a great spiritual insight and this led him more and more into the work of healing.

In 1959 he retired from the Army and, with slender financial resources but with the help of his wife, Patricia, herself a gifted healer and teacher, he started the Westbank Healing Centre – now the Westbank Natural Health Centre – in a cottage in Strathmiglo, Fife.

One of MacManaway's particular contributions was to pioneer and to teach the technique of using dowsing as a diagnostic aid to healing: these sorts of study are widely practised now, but he had been using them for over 40 years. His reputation was truly international

He is survived by his wife and three talented sons.

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"I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame. I was father to the poor, and the cause which I knew not I searched out."
Job 29 : 15-16

BIRTHS

ALEXANDER - On September 13th, to Vanessa (née Goldie) and John, a daughter, Bryony Gwendolyn Frances, a sister for Sophie.

ANDREWS - On September 14th, to Sophia (née Falkiner) and Raymond, a son, Caleb Finbar Falkiner Andrews.

CRANFIELD - On September 15th, to Gillie (née Fleming) and Richard, a daughter Sophie Alice Elizabeth.

CROZIER - On September 13th, 1988, to Vivien (née Knopp) and David, a son, James Edward.

DANKS - On September 12th, to Wita (née Dubiniec) and Sam, a daughter, Alicia Marion.

DARBY - On September 8th, at Macclesfield Hospital, to Christina (née Bowker) and Guy, a daughter, Lucinda Rose Charlotte, a sister for Olivia and James.

NEXTALL - On September 13th, 1988, to Belinda and Tim, a daughter, a sister for Sam, Toby and Jack.

LOWE - On September 15th, in Sydney, to Jenny (née Hunter) and David, a son, a brother for Katie.

MacLEHOSE - On September 15th to Jeremy and Sally, a son, Fergus Donald Hugh.

McMORRAN On September 14th 1988 at Kings, to Janet (née Arbuthnott) and William, a son, Hugo Edmond a brother for Donald and Roland.

REDSTONE - On Tuesday September 13th, to Karen (née Van Gelder) and Edward, a daughter, Emily Sarah, a sister for Lyndsey.

REID - On September 9th, in New York, to Laura and Scott, a daughter.

RUTTER - On September 13th, to Tracy and Keith, a daughter, Victoria Jane, a sister for Emma.

SMITH - On September 13th 1988, to Kate (née Ross) and David, a son, Harry, a brother for Edward and Izzy.

SMITH - On September 15th to Claire (née Callow) and Chris, a son, Thomas William Callow-Smith.

THOMSON - On September 15th 1988, at Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh to Cecilia (née Gill) and Bill, a son, Charles David.

TYLER - On September 11th, to Rosemary and Simon, a daughter, Sophie Louise, a brother for Jamie.

YOUELL - On September 14th, to Tessa (née Tulk-Hart) and Richard, a daughter, Alice.

MARRIAGES

BEBEK:RESTORICK - On September 15th, in Marmaris, Turkey, Murat Bebek to Alison Restorick.

DEATHS

ALMOND - On September 12th, peacefully at home in Sussex, Geraldine.

BIRNEY - On September 14th, peacefully, Nan dearly loved wife of Charles and mother of Jenny, Jock and Michael. Thanksgiving for Nan's life will take place in Bray Church 10.00am October 9th. Any donations to Thames Valley Hospice, Hatch Lane, Windsor SL4 3RW.

COWAN - On September 13th, 1988, at home, Charles Francis Lt.Col. R.A. (retd), fellow of The Royal Entomological Society, London, and Malayan Nature Society. Dearly loved and loving eldest son of the late Rev. C.E.L. Cowan M.A., R.N. and Mrs A.D. Cowan. Private cremation.

DAVIES - On September 14th, peacefully in hospital, aged 84 years, Gwilym Owen, Croix de Guerre avec Palme, Ordre de Leopold III avec Palme. Old Sinjuns CC. Private funeral. Much missed by family and friends.

DYSON - On September 13th, 1988 in the so careing Axminster Hospital, Devon, Anita, born Countess Anna Maria Alexandrene Ludwigstorff of Lower Austria, adored wife of Humphrey for 46 years. The funeral service and burial at Hawkchurch Parish Church, Nr Axminster, Devon. In Christian Unity on Thursday September 22nd at 2pm. Enquiries please to J.F. Clarke & Son, Funeral Directors, Axminster, Devon. Tel: 0297 32686.

GRIFFITHS - On September 14th, 1988, at home after a long illness faced with great courage and patience, Robert Amos, very dearly loved husband of Patsy, and adored father of David, Peter, Susan and Mary. Private family funeral at 2.30 pm on Wednesday September 21st at Swinbrook Church, Oxfordshire. A service of Thanksgiving for his life will be held at 2.30 pm on Saturday October 15th, at All Saints, Lime Walk, Headington, Oxford. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired to Sir Michael Sobell Health, Oxford.

JARDINE - On September 9th 1988, peacefully at her home, Margaret Inglis, beloved daughter of the late Bob and Chris, twin of Helen and sister of the late Dorothy. Funeral service at St John's Church, Hallowell Road, Northwood on Tuesday, September 20th at 12 noon, followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip. Enquiries to E.Spark Ltd. Tel: 09274 25372.

KEALY - On September 10th 1988, at his home in Lymington, Patrick Charles Bayley, much loved father and grandfather. Funeral service at Bournemouth Crematorium on Friday 23rd September at 3pm. Family flowers only please.

KILBOURN - On September 14th, peacefully at home with the same gallant and high hearted spirit with which she lived, Sheila Winifred (née Baker) widow of M.R.O. Leach, (tragically in Java 1946), loving, unselfish and greatly loved wife of Donald, mother of Liz aged 67. Cremation at St. Saiths crematorium, Norwich, Monday September 19th at 1.30 pm, followed by a memorial service at Halvergate Church at 3.00 pm. Flowers or Donations for Imperial Cancer Research to S. Youngs, The Green, Freethorpe, Norwich NR13 3AH.

LAXEN - On September 12th, peacefully after a long illnes bravely borne, Albert William, aged 77. Funeral Service at Golders Green Crematorium (East Chapel) on Tuesday, September 20th at 3.15pm. Flowers may be sent to Leverton & Sons Ltd, 181 Haverstock Hill, NW3 by 2pm.

MANN - On September 13th 1988, suddenly at his home, Peter James aged 53 years, Merchant Banker of Beaminster, also of London W1, will be sadly missed by Yvonne, Jonathan and Nicholas. Funeral service will take place at Saint Mary's Church, Beaminster on Wednesday September 21st at 2pm. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired for the Dorset Hospice Fund, c/o A.J. Wakely and Sons, 7 North St., Beaminster, Dorset.

NISBET EVANS - On September 14th, 1988, after a long illness borne with great courage at home, Gordon Nisbet Evans, beloved husband of Sheila and much loved father of Ann. Funeral Service to take place at Wateringbury Church at 3pm on Monday, September 19th. No flowers please, donations to the Kent Leukaemia and Cancer Equipment Fund (Maidstone Hospital) would be appreciated.

NORRIS - On Tuesday September 13th 1988, peacefully at his home, Steane Park, Brackley, Captain James Frederick (Bobby) aged 90 years. He will be sadly missed by all his friends. Funeral service at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Hinton in the Hedges, on Tuesday September 20th at 2.30 pm. Flowers or donations if preferred in aid of Hinton and Steane Churches maybe sent c/o W J Franklin and Son, Funeral Directors, 8 Buckingham Road, Brackley, Northants, NN13 5EL. Tel: (0280) 702356.

MUNNS - On September 13th 1988, in hospital, Richard Ernest, aged 48 years, much loved husband of Jenny and father of Hector, Mark and Dominic. Funeral service at Keymer Parish Church, West sussex, on Friday September 23rd at 11.30am. No flowers please, but donations welcome to save the Children fund care of the Family

PANK - On September 13th 1988, peacefully at home, Rosalie. Very much loved by her family and many friends. Funeral service at St. Mary's Church, Long Ditton, 11am Tuesday 20th September. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to: St. Mary's Church PCC, Long Ditton, Surrey or Holy Trinity Church, Acaster Malbis, York, c/o Rev. Paul Rathbone, 48 Church Lane, Bishopsthorpe, York.

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POPE - On September 13th 1988, suddenly, Lieutenant Colonel Julian John Buckingham Pope, M.B.E., late Coldstream Guards. Adored husband of Peta-Carolyn and dearest father of Juliet, Clare, Georgina, Susannah and Louisa. Funeral service at Tetbury Parish Church on Tuesday September 20th at 2pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, to Tetbury Church, c/o Lloyds Bank, Tetbury.

POWELL - On Monday September 12th 1988, peacefully, Jean Morris.

PREBENSEN - On Tuesday September 13th 1988, peacefully in Oslo, Ragnhild (née Fougner), aged 83, widow of the late Norwegian Ambassador to the Court of St James' and beloved mother of Evelyn Harrison, Peter (Nicken) and Chris.

RENDALL - On September 15th, peacefully in Clare House, Esher, Antony, aged 86. Beloved husband of the late Sila, father of Janet and John, much loved grandfather and great grandfather. Cremation 1pm Tuesday September 20th at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead. Flowers by 11am to Frederick W. Paine, Esher 64021 or donations to World Wide Fund for Nature, Panda House, Weyside Park, Godalming, Surrey.

RUDDOCK-WEST - On September 12th 1988, suddenly, in Germany, William Giles, aged 25 years, beloved and loving son of Raymond and Brenda, and brother of Simon and Lucy. Funeral at St. James' Parish Church, Weybridge, Surrey, at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday September 22nd, 1988. Family flowers only, but donations to R.A. Benevolent Fund or St. James' Church Bell Fund, c/o Chitty & Co Ltd, 24 Elmgrove Road, Weybridge, would be greatly appreciated.

SANDER - On September 14th, unexpectedly but peacefully Marian Jane widow of Ernest Sander, and mother of Audrey. A much loved Mother and friend and adored oma of Martha, Ben and Emily. Family funeral. Details of memorial gathering to be announced later.

VAN WYK - On September 12th, aged 91, peacefully at St. Joseph's Hospice, Nellie Elizabeth Susan. Beloved mother of Ken, Win, Joyce and Eileen. Loved mother in law, grandmother and great grandmother.

WITT - On September 12th 1988, suddenly, Michael Anthony, aged 45 years, of Hammersmith W6 and the Ark Restaurant, Kensington High Street. Funeral 2pm Monday 19th September, at St. Andrews Church, Chew Stoke near Bristol. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to British Heart Foundation.

WOODCOCK - On September 11th, at Dumfries Royal Infirmary, Jessie Christina aged 94, of Wysebyside, Kirtlebridge, wife of the late William Woodcock of Holcombe, Lancashire. Private funeral on September 14th. No letters please.

Trust going for gold

The establishment of England's first gold-panning school is included in proposals by the Ambleside-based Lakeland Mines and Quarries Trust to develop part of the old Threlkeld Quarry site, near Keswick, Cumbria.

The trust has been offered a 40-acre site there by the owners, ARC.

VC sale

The Victoria Cross awarded to Lieutenant William Leefe Robinson for shooting down a Zeppelin airship over Cuffley, Hertfordshire, in 1916 is to be auctioned by Christie's on November 22. The money raised, an estimated £60,000, will go to charity.

St Clement Danes flower festival

More than 10,000 flowers from around the world will be on display in a festival of flowers at St Clement Danes Church, London, from today until Sunday, celebrating 70 years of Royal Air Force history.

Among the arrangements will be scenes from the Battle of Britain and the damage to the church during the Blitz. Wives from throughout the service have created the exhibits.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Henry V, reigned 1413-22, Monmouth, 1387; Francis Parkman, historian, Boston, Massachusetts, 1823; Andrew Bonar Law, prime minister 1922-23, Kingston, New Brunswick, 1858; Alfred Noyes, poet, Wolverhampton, 1880; Nadia Boulanger, conductor and music teacher, Paris, 1887; Sir Alexander Korda, film producer, Pusztaturpaszto, Hungary, 1893.

DEATHS: Tomás de Torquemada, head of the Holy Office of the Inquisition, Avila, Sapin, 1498; John Colet, theologian, Sheen, Surrey, 1519; Gabriel Fahrenheit, physicist, The Hague, 1736; Edward Pusey, theologian, leader of the Oxford Movement, Ascot Priory, 1882; Edward Whymper, wood engraver and mountaineer, Chamonix, 1911; Sir Ronald Ross, bacteriologist, Nobel laureate 1902, London, 1932; John McCormack, tenor, Dublin, 1945.

Archaeology

Secrets of Repton's royal remains

By Norman Hammond, Archaeology Correspondent

Fifteen years of excavation at the Anglo-Saxon royal centre of Repton, Derbyshire, have ended with the discovery of what seems to have been a princely estate antedating the establishment of the monastery there, and the subsequent development of the Mercian dynastic mausoleum and the shrine of St Wystan, the martyred king of Mercia, who was murdered in AD 850.

Over the years the architectural development of the royal crypt, below the chancel of the present church, has been teased out by Dr Harold Taylor, and the archaeological stratigraphy of the complex deposits outside the north and east walls of the crypt elucidated by Professor Martin Biddle and Mrs Birthe Kolbye-Biddle.

Among the notable discoveries elsewhere on the Repton site have been the remains of more than 250 Vikings who died at Repton when their army overwintered there in AD 874-5, (The Times, December 21 1985), while the area by the church has yielded a sculpture of a rider, identified as King Aethelbald of Mercia, which the Biddles describe as "the oldest large-scale representation of an English king "(The Times, July 12, 1986).

The 1988 excavations have completed a sequence of four building phases, all antedating the construction of the royal crypt and the standing walls of the chancel, which were raised around AD 870.

Close to the standing building in both time and space is the northeast angle of a structure otherwise buried below the church, with sandstone walls which cut through the remains of an earlier edifice.

Scorching on the earthen floors, perhaps from braziers, and the presence of food remains suggest that it could have been a refectory, and was certainly not a precursor of the stone church. The building, like its successor, seems to be of eighth century date.

Earlier than this was a stone drainage channel, leading from an hypothesised building to the west, under the present church, which represents the first use of major stone construction at Repton and the beginning of the succession of six periods of pre-Viking stone architecture there.

The deposit covering the drain after it went out of use also buried a large timber building, some 26 feet wide and at least that length. Probably half of it has been excavated, with a hint of the doorway midway along one of the long walls that was a common feature of Anglo-Saxon halls: if so, the dimensions of around 50 by 24 feet would put the Repton building among the largest Saxon timber halls known, comparable with the large buildings in the royal centre at Yeavering in Northumbria, excavated in the 1950s.

Earliest of all was another timber hall, with walls of planks: only the east and south walls lay within the excavated area. Professor Biddle believes that both of the timber halls antedate the establishment of the Repton monastery in the period 670-690, and belong to a princely estate that would have been among the assets granted to the new religious house by the Mercian princeps Friduric.

"We went to Repton to examine the origins and early development of the royal church there", said Professor Biddle. "These are now well established, although the important question remains as to whether the crypt was originally constructed as a mausoleum, or whether it was the baptistery of an early church. Finding out is of fundamental importance for the history of English ecclesiastical architecture and liturgy, but only excavation below the floor of the crypt itself can resolve this."

Such work has not yet proved possible, so Repton still holds some secrets for future investigators to disinter: but it has borne out the prediction that Professor Biddle made in The Times a decade and a half ago when work began there, of being "a critical and fundamental building in the history of Anglo-Saxon architecture."

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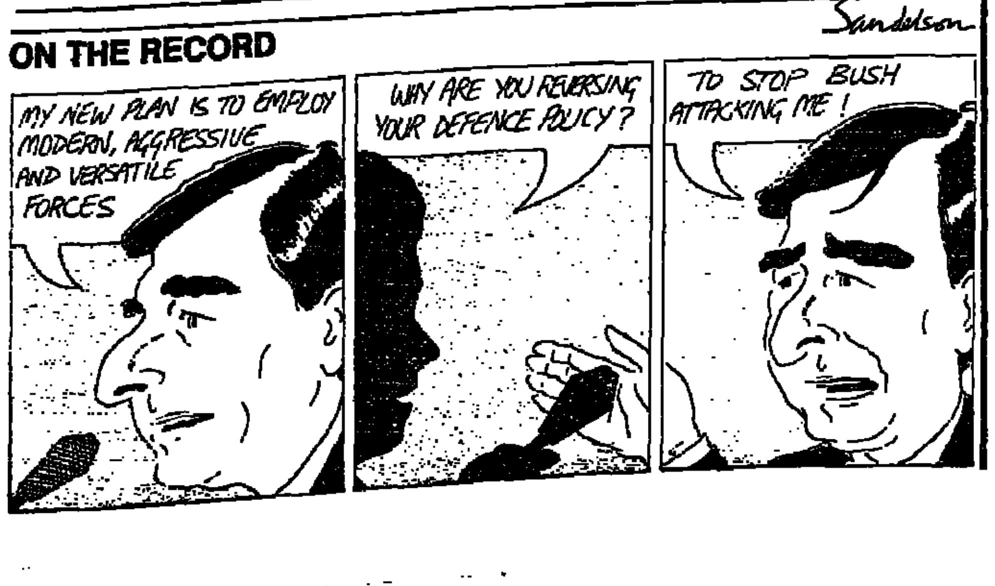
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MEMORIAL SERVICES

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HEYER - A service of rememberance and thanks giving for the life of the late John Norman Heyer will be held at Saint Brides, Fleet Street, London EC4, at 12 noon on Tuesday November 1st 1988.

MACNAGHTEN - A Thanksgiving service for the life of Angus Macnaghten was held on Wednesday September 14th, at St Helen's Bishopsgate. The Ven Noel Jones R.N. officiated. Mr Robin Macnaghten, brother, read the lesson. Mr Patrick Cassels gave the address.

MASON - A service to commemorate the life of Vice Admiral Sir Frank Trowbridge Mason K.C.B. High Steward of Ipswich, will be held at St Mary- le- Tower Church, Ipswich. On wednesday September 28th 1988 at 12 noon.

RADCLIFFE - A service of thanksgiving for the life of Katharine Agnes Radcliffe, late of Warleigh, will be held at St Mary's Church, Tamerton Foliot, Plymouth, on Tuesday September 27th, at 2.00 pm.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

GEORGE - William Henry, (Alderwasley, Derbyshire), 1901-1979. Remembered on his birthday and always. Devoted husband, father and grandfather.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRITISH MARINE INDUSTRIES FEDERATION AGM

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FRIENDS who gave to The National Trust for trees in memory of Sir Peter Medawar are invited to the Clergy House, Alfriston, Sussex, at midday on Sunday, October 2nd, for tree planting and a buffet lunch. Please telephone 01-435 0822 if able to accept.

MAGNETIC Island, Australia. Victoria and Lucy contact Rolly. Box 241, Cremona, Alberta, Canada. TOMORO.

NEW College, Leamington Spa pre-1960 old girls reunion, Saturday 20th May 1989 at 12 noon at the school. Write to New College for details.

PLEASE HELP the National Benevolent Fund For The Aged to provide "TENS" machines for the relief of pain in conditions like arthritis. £60 buys a machine. Donations please to The Viscount Tonypandy, Chairman, NBFA, 65 London Wall, London EC2M 5TU.

POWELL - Jean Morris. Gwil and family sadly announce the death of their beloved Jean on the evening of Monday 12th September 1988. "Though lovers be lost, love shall not, and death shall have no dominions" 'Gorffwys Mewn Hedd'.

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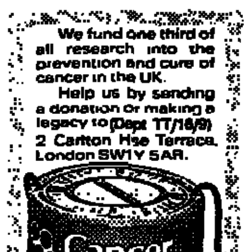

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(By Order of the Council)
CHRISTOPHER LUCAS
Secretary

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In accordance with Rule 4.106 of The Insolvency Rules 1986 notice is hereby given that I, Stephen D Swaden, a Licensed Insolvency Practitioner of Messrs. Leonard Curtis & Co., 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London W2 6LF, was appointed Liquidator of the above Company by the members and creditors on 9th September 1988.
Dated this 9th day of September 1988
S D Swaden - Liquidator
Leonard Curtis & Co
Chartered Accountants
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London W2 6LF

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N H Cooper
Joint Administrative Receiver

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Dated this 2nd day of September 1988
A R Stanway - Liquidator
Chartered Accountant

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1. To consider the Directors' Statement of Affairs.
2. To appoint a Liquidator.
3. To appoint a Liquidation Committee.
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THE ARTS

TELEVISION

Black man's burden

Is the strain showing on Lenny Henry? The burden is, of course, quite unfair: here he is, an extremely funny man just trying to be *extremely* funny, while the world expects him to bear the whole weight of black consciousness on television. Instead of a range of black performers being serious or comic about all kinds of issues, there is instead one over-exposed talent attempting to cram into his half-hour as many pointed comments as possible, providing role models for a generation.

It is an impossible task, and it says a lot for the resilience of Lenny and his script writers (Stan Hey and Andrew Nickolds) that *The Lenny Henry Show* (BBC1) does not disintegrate under the weight of the expectations dumped on it. Still, it is not as carefree as it was. There is now a much more carefully crafted story line, which will take in comments on the health service, credit cards, consumerism and the like.

Delbert Wilkins, now upwardly mobile in a lift to the top floor of a Brixton tower-block, has been dumped from his job as a television anchorman and is setting up a pirate radio station in opposition to the local, trendily commercial Brixton Broadcasting Corporation. This shows Delbert branching out on his own in a calling which combines his fatal lack of inhibition with his dramatic shortage of talent.

The other BBC is peopled with hilarious caricatures, notably the hearty policeman with his own phone-in, but for me this first show was stolen by Vas Blackwood's laid-back Winston, who presents his show with all the enthusiastic flair of someone reading from a telephone directory. Delbert's own show, reduced when the electricity runs out to being bawled from the roof tops, is not much better. Winston is the sunniest straight man in the business; Lenny, meanwhile, is only slightly transformed from himself as Delbert, and it is difficult to believe this one character can sustain the series.

William Holmes

Simon Banner meets Pat O'Connor, director of *Stars and Bars*, a film fallen foul of studio politics

Hardened in Hollywood

MARC ASPLAND

Advantage taker disadvantaged: Pat O'Connor is still happy making films in Hollywood

"Being Irish, I have always found America a very welcoming place," says film director Pat O'Connor. "For one thing, I have 24 first cousins living there. What's more, Americans have a sort of corrupt attitude toward the Irish, which the Irish always take full advantage of. I don't think it's the same for the English at all."

That it is, indeed, not the same for the English, is very much the essence of O'Connor's new film, opening next week, a screen adaptation of William Boyd's comic novel, *Stars and Bars*. Henderson Dores, the upper middle class protagonist played by Daniel Day Lewis, may love America to the point of infatuation, but America does not seem inclined to love the mild-mannered English art historian back.

What America has in mind instead, and what the boisterous film catalogues with sly glee, is humiliation on a grand scale, culminating with Henderson being obliged to run through the streets of Manhattan clad only in a cardboard box. According to O'Connor, however, this represents a triumph for the previously "buttoned-down" Englishman, albeit "a tatty triumph"."He's made a journey from being tense and antagonistic towards a society he doesn't feel comfortable in, to feeling comfortable with America and with himself. He's still striving to belong at the end of the film, but he's become a hero too."

If an Irishman seems an unlikely candidate to direct a comic saga of Anglo-American misunderstanding, O'Connor is doubly unlikely in that role, given the serious tone of his two previous feature films: *Cal*, a love story set against a background of violence in Northern Ireland, and the period piece, *A Month In The Country*. O'Connor can see connections. "They're all about people coming to terms with their innermost fears, although *Stars and Bars* happens to be primarily comic. Not that I necessarily had to think of it as a comedy. I wasn't trying to do a film with so many laughs per minute. I thought of it in terms of character, and if you do a film about these characters, it's going to be comic." These characters go by such evocative names as Freeborn, Shanda, Duane, Gint and Alma-May, played by some of Hollywood's finest character actors, including Harry Dean Stanton, Spalding Gray, Martha Plimpton, and one with a name as unlikely as any invented by Boyd: Rockets Redglare.

Pat O'Connor was 19 when he went to America for the first time. He had grown up surrounded by "a lot of warmth and not too much religion", in a village near to Waterford. "We were cut-off," he remembers, "even from urban Ireland. And this was during the Fifties."

After a year in London spent doing a variety of odd jobs, he took up a place at the University of California in Los Angeles, and went from there to film school in Toronto. In 1970 he returned to Ireland as a trainee producer-director for RTE, working on a succession of documentaries and dramas. It was his award-winning and rather melancholy film, *The Ballroom of Romance*, which David Puttnam saw and immediately asked O'Connor to direct *Cal*. Puttnam co-produced *Cal*, and, once chairman of Columbia Pictures, gave the go-ahead and the $7 million which enabled O'Connor to make *Stars and Bars*.

By the time *Stars and Bars* was ready for release in the United States, Puttnam's reign as a Hollywood power-broker had come to an ignominious end, and the new regime at Columbia, predictably anxious to discredit the old, displayed little enthusiasm for any Puttnam-approved pictures. In the case of *Stars and Bars*, O'Connor believes that Columbia were "simply brutal". A major studio will usually back a new release in America by spending as much as half again on prints, advertising and promotion as it has on the film's production. Yet the $5 million allotted to support *Stars and Bars* by David Puttnam's Columbia dwindled, according to Pat O'Connor, to a mere $86.000 after Puttnam's demise, and the film sank without trace.

"They weren't even going to release it in any city until I kicked up a fuss," O'Connor says. "Eventually we got it into one cinema in New York. But it really had very little chance at all. They had a black and white poster. The cheapest, tattiest, most unimaginative poster I've seen in my life. And that was about all the promotion they did. There were no interviews with me or with the cast. And of course it was just a way of paying David Puttnam back.

"Hollywood's a very tough community, a very cynical community, and there are a lot of extremely wealthy people there who aren't much interested in art or anything like it, but only in the idea that a film should be as commercially accessible to as many people as possible, full stop. David wanted to do things differently, so it doesn't surprise me that they didn't give him time to prove he was right. It was important to them that he should be proved wrong."

Toughened up, he says, by his experiences, O'Connor has already made his second Hollywood film. *The January Man* is a story of "corruption, betrayal, brothers, and lovers, a sort of thriller, but not an orthodox one", which should find its way here early next year. It is written by John Patrick Shanley, who wrote *Moonstruck*; it stars, among others, Kevin Kline and Susan Sarandon; and it was made by MGM. "They're a very nice studio indeed," O'Connor explains, "and easy to work with. My only hope is that they don't change between now and when the film is released."

CONCERTS

Opulent radiance

BBC SO/Boulez
Albert Hall/Radio 3

Pierre Boulez's concerts with the BBC Symphony Orchestra have now become rare and special events, normally occasioned by some work of his own. On Wednesday night the principal motive was perhaps provided by Jessye Norman's long-awaited début as the heroine of Schoenberg's *Erwartung*, but once again that has been left as something to strain the imagination: instead, Norman offered Berg's Seven Early Songs, which belong very much more in her territory. And she was in opulent, luxurious form, even if there were one or two unfortunate scoops and a moment of uncharacteristic vulgarity that made the roses of "Die Nachtigall" flabby and over-blown. Otherwise, her habit of even-toned radiance fitted the music with complete comfort, and was nicely offset by the pernicketyness of Boulez's accompaniment.

Here was one of the central paradoxes of Berg, the coexistence of lyrical effusion and intricate mechanism, made dramatically manifest, in a way that almost justified the rival views of tempo with which a couple of the numbers opened.

Early Berg was neatly matched by late Mahler, the adagio from the Tenth Symphony, across the pivot of Webern's Passacaglia, heard in a dry and hectic, if sometimes muddled, performance. The Mahler, too, found the orchestra showing signs of late-Prom fatigue, or perhaps they were dissatisfied with Boulez's refusal of all indulgence. He now conducts this movement as a proper adagio, but absolutely no expansiveness has come with the greater breadth: the piece sounded more staunched and purposeless than it used to do when he took it faster.

The works that excite more than his respect apparently continue to be the same few which contain, like his own music, some measure of exoticism and dazzle: they include Bartók's *Miraculous Mandarin*, a splendid performance of which more than made up for the deficiencies of the first part.

After a bit of a tumble in the introductory music, the orchestra settled down to Boulez's desperate rhythmic impulse, and his feeling for the strangeness of this score: the erotic, expectant lustre of the passage in what is an uncommonly graphic musical narrative, where the girl begins to arouse the mandarin, or the appalling, cold unnaturalness of those places where organ and voices (the BBC Singers) enter to help colour the mandarin's unplacated resurrections. Miraculous it was indeed.

Paul Griffiths

A voice and a half

Raul Gimenez
Wigmore Hall

The story is worth telling. Raul Gimenez, the Argentinian tenor who made his London début last night at the age of 37, worked in a steel foundry, married at 19, at 20 had to support a family by selling clothes from door to door; and eight years ago made his début with the Teatro Colón.

Those who heard him at Wexford in 1984 will know that he has a voice to match: the light, forward tenor, bright with raw, open Latin vowels, steely of determination, ardent of sentiment. He has taken over Rossini (10 operas are in his repertoire), and he presented his vocal *curriculum vitae* last night with three of the composer's arias and two of his *Soirées musicales*.

After a trumpet-call of a recitative, Argirio's aria, "Pensa Pensa" from *Tancredi* effervesced and escalated like a Rossini overture. For Alberto (*L'occasione fa il ladro*) the diaphragm was a minutely sensitive sounding-board for passagework in which the core of every note rang on the vocal chords, virtually unaided by aspiration. The orgy and the dance of the *Soirées* would have been *tours de force* had Nina Walker's imagination and fingers been even half as agile as Gimenez's voice.

He had run himself in with five *arie antiche*, sung as they are seldom sung. Gluck's "sospiro", Caccini's "desio" and Pergolesi's "pifferi, timpani, cembali" took on new, thrillingly onomatopoeic meaning. They also gave us the first glimpse of Gimenez's half-voice, which was to find its apotheosis in his exquisite "Una furtiva lagrima", sung as the second of many encores.

This transparent *mezza-voce* came into its artistic own in the Argentinian songs after the interval. Carlos Guastavino's three little ditties of fragile sentiment about a rose, a dove and a little home-town, were worn lightly but poignantly on the sleeve.

Ginastera offered tougher stuff. Unashamedly burying his head in the score, Gimenez focused on their sharper intensity, their acerbic rhythms, while losing none of the instinctive inflection and phrasing which characterizes his artistry.

Hilary Finch

Bright portrait

THEATRE

Re: Joyce
Fortune

Not the least of Joyce Grenfell's attractions to her devoted public was the fact that, in spite of a high-pressure career in films, radio, and solo performance, she retained the quality of a gifted amateur: an accomplished young lady who had moved on from drawing-room entertainment to the public stage without acquiring a trace of showbiz gloss.

Watching her, you felt that she would instantly have given the whole thing up if she had been required to look after a sick child or follow her husband to an overseas job. And she became a national institution largely because she proved that razor-sharp comedy is by no means incompatible with humdrum middle-class English virtue.

Unlike her great model, Ruth Draper, she has been kept alive by her published writings: two volumes of autobiography, a collection of letters (*Darling Ma*; Hodder and Stoughton, £14.95), and the sketches which remain so funny, even on the page, that somebody was bound to bring them back into the theatre.

Thanks to Maureen Lipman, and her compiler, James Roose-Evans, the Women's Institute president is back with us, and the sacred words, "George — don't do that", ring out anew. *Re: Joyce* takes its form from Grenfell's own programmes: the *diseuse* doing her stuff while a resourceful pianist (Denis King) holds the fort during her elegant costume changes. But, besides the sketches, the programme offers an intimate portrait of the artist, dwelling on her family life, her faith in Christian Science and, her fantasies taking flight, as a dancer.

Not much of this is performance material. It is private communication to friends and readers. What you get from Lipman is a theatricalized Grenfell character, addressing lecture audiences, or the Fortune audience, through a mask of upper-crust vowels and the famous bright, brave little smile. As a result, Joyce Grenfell the woman emerges as a choice victim for Joyce Grenfell the satirical observer.

Brave smiler: Maureen Lipman

Otherwise Alan Strachan's production is an evening of unmixed pleasure. It contains rather too many of the songs (in which Richard Addinsell's music follows in spineless obedience to Grenfell's lyrics), but Lipman has captured exactly the melancholy sweetness of her model's voice.

And from her spikily precise hand gestures, lunging walk, and range of facial masks, she is totally in command of the sketches. One thing she shares with Grenfell is the instinct for unmalicious comedy, coupled with a killer instinct for the really decisive line — such as the poetry-fancying mother's eruption: "No dear, I don't know what it was if bird it never wert".

As the "Terrible Worrier" she follows Grenfell's instructions and plays it with tongue stuck to her lower lip: but not so far as to muff the punch line on discovering she has won a dead rabbit in a raffle. "I thought, I'm not going to be bothered with that", before posting it through the window of a parked car. A treat.

Irving Wardle

Corn, soft porn and poppycock

OPERA

La traviata
Coliseum

Apparently the Parisian roué's ideal vision, in the middle of the last century, was a blonde in her underwear amidst a field of ripening corn, with a useful red plush *chaise-longue* to hand. This is the dominant image of David Pountney's new production of Verdi's *La traviata* for English National Opera.

You may call it erotic fantasy; you may call it, as Pountney does in a lengthy and only intermittently convincing programme note, "rural idyll"; you may call it a Victorian *East of Eden*. But it is exceedingly difficult to call it *La traviata*.

This platform of corn arises in the middle of the dining tables during the soirée of Act I. Helen Field's Violetta, the image in question, has to sing the Act's closing *scena* in heavily corseted *déshabillé* after her jaded guests have tossed in some payment for their evening's entertainment, just as satisfied spectators in the same era might throw coins into the ring at the end of a prize fight. In Act II she is still amidst the corn, this time in a Mabel Lucie Attwell dress, finding out in St Germain-en-Laye that life is not just a bowl of poppies. All the principals had some difficulty in making their way round the grainfield in an extremely restricted singing area. And there were some titters from the audience: Pountney must learn to separate the wheat from the chaff.

The single set by Stefanos Lazarides, most protean of opera designers, is visually striking in red and gold, but is too subservient to his director's whims. Ugly balconies house the top-hatted gentlemen and their doxies, who look down on Violetta's decline. By the final act the cornfields have gone, signifying that the rural idyll is over. Violetta's corpse at the close is left alone on stage to show that she was not killed by TB but by society, which condemns girls who are born poor to stay that way or become tarts.

DONALD COOPER

Convincing relationship: Helen Field as Violetta, with Alan Opie as Giorgio Germont, father of Alfredo

At this point, doubtless, sociology textbooks are thumped in approval. Others may wonder why David Pountney, who is capable of productions so full of musical and imaginative insight as *Hansel and Gretel*, should have come up with so maladroit a staging.

The singers are given little help and Arthur Davies, in particular, is a sufferer. For obscure reasons he is made to look as though he is pushing middle age, instead of being the youth Dumas and Verdi devised who is getting his first taste of the *demi-monde*. He is made to sing the close of the Act II aria flat on his back on that *chaise-longue*, as a result of which the final notes were muffed, as indeed they were in the following cabaletta. In the last act he produced some of the honeyed singing of which he is capable. Following the disastrous Covent Garden revival of *Traviata* in which he appeared two years ago, Alfredo does not appear to be his lucky role.

Helen Field gradually struggled her way out of the early strait-jacket imposed by the production. Midway through Act II some of Violetta's temperament and Verdi's fire began to emerge, notably in the confrontation with Germont père. This relationship became far more interesting than that with his son. When Violetta finally gets Giorgio's letter wishing her a happier life in the future, Field's Violetta tosses it away with deserved contempt. By that last act the voice showed all the ability to hold Verdi's long curving line together with the mastery of the outburst of "Gran' Dio. Morir".

But the most secure performance comes from Alan Opie as Germont père, a plump and self-satsfied guardian of family morals, even if not too far from Offenbachian lechers, whose company his son keeps. Opie sings in broad sweeps of tone and thoroughly deserved both verses of his Act II cabaletta.

Mark Elder encouraged his singers to long-held phrases, often adopting very slow tempi. For so accomplished a Verdian it was a quiet evening, with the strings too often below par.

The house was muted for a first night Coliseum audience. Perhaps this *Traviata* poses a larger question beyond the immediate failure of the staging. ENO has a truly deserved reputation for innovation, especially for production and design. But it is also acquiring a less enviable one for perverse interpretation of some of the cornerstones of the repertoire. With probably more of the first-time audience for a *Traviata* or a *Carmen* coming to the Coliseum than to any other British theatre that should cause some worries.

John Higgins

Lightweight fails to improve her rating

ROCK

Belinda Carlisle
Hammersmith Odeon

Belinda Carlisle's British début was a frothy affair, which begged the question of how any performer could manage to go through so much and yet arrive with so little *gravitas* to show for it. As a founder member of the Californian group, the Go-Gos, convened in 1978, she enjoyed the fruits of success and suffered the perils of excess in roughly equal measure until their disbandment in 1984.

Her subsequent solo career has had a more purposeful air about it and she became a chart fixture in Britain for the first time last year. But, although she has (narrowly) avoided being cast in the manufactured disco-starlet mould of contemporaries such as Kylie Minogue, her reputation is not based on her skills as a live performer.

Dressed in a black organza frock coat and black pedal-pushers, with her long auburn hair not fashioned into any particular style, she looked like a willowy version of the Duchess of York, as she set off at a lively canter with a bubblegum version of the old Cream song "I Feel Free".

Her four-piece band and two backing vocalists were about as exciting as a plate of muesli to watch and as they got on to "I Get Weak", attention was drawn to a circular screen at the back showing film of Carlisle devoting herself to a swarthy young man. The images gave way to Carlisle moping about on sandy beaches for "Circle in the Sand" and, later, even the dreaded family album baby shots were given an airing.

Sometimes when she forced a slight rasp into her singing, as on "Nobody Owns Me", she managed to sound like a featherweight Pat Benatar, but her voice faded from the picture in the lower registers, and her performing presence was negligible.

Her music can claim to be some advance on the blandest of disco-pop, but the overall impact of this show was similar to the gently irritating sensation of brushing one's face against a cobweb.

David Sinclair

● Belinda Carlisle is at Hammersmith on Saturday, and her tour continues at Manchester Apollo (Sunday); Edinburgh Playhouse (Monday); Hammersmith Odeon again (Wednesday and Thursday); NEC, Birmingham (Saturday Sept 24); BIC, Bournemouth (Sept 26); Cornwall Coliseum (Sept 27).

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FRIDAY PAGE

Pursuing power to the purse

Sex used to be the word that sold books. Now publishers have moved on to *money*.

Victoria McKee finds it calculating

Banks and financial institutions – not to mention *authors* and publishers – have discovered the "women's market" with a vengeance. You can understand why. Women are the majority of the population, handle the majority of family finances, start 43 per cent of new businesses (despite much greater difficulty in obtaining capital for them) and increasingly play a significant role in the national economy.

"Women are even spreading their wings into investment, since the *average working woman is likely* to have about half a million pounds go through her hands in her lifetime," says Marie Jennings, author of *Women and Money: The Midland Bank Guide* (published by Penguin on Monday, £4.99), the latest book in the proliferation to suggest that "as yet, surprisingly little has been written – in books – about women and money".

The Baroness Phillips of Fulham, JP – president of the National Association of Women's Clubs – has written a fulsome foreword, welcoming a book on money written "for 52 per cent of the population", by such a respected consumer affairs and personal finance journalist.

Jennings, who was a consultant on the television money programmes *Money-go-round* and *Moneyspinner*, is a regular speaker at women's clubs and City institutions.

The book has been sponsored by "the listening bank" – the Midland – in what is another growing trend: banks sponsoring books that will give their services a higher profile. Last month Penguin published the *Lloyds Bank Tax Guide 1988/89*, by Sara Williams and John Willman (£4.99), and next month it will be publishing the *Lloyds Bank Small Business Guide*, by Sara Williams (£4.99) – not to be confused with *The Woman's Guide to Starting Your Own Business* (£6.95), a less weighty work by Deborah Fowler published a few weeks ago by Thorson's.

Williams, a financial journalist and investment analyst, believes – unfashionably? – that "money is a unisex matter", and that her advice, wrapped impressively in a green PVC-covered hardback which should be distributed by Lloyds to those opening small business accounts, applies equally to men.

Putting "women" in the title of a book on money, she suggests, is merely a marketing ploy: "But if that *makes women* read something that otherwise they wouldn't I'm all in favour of it."

Jennings, not surprisingly, disagrees – but then, as she confesses, she once predicted that Jiffy Bags and Levis jeans would never take off in Britain. "Women have different priorities in life and different financial needs," she says – *neatly* sidestepping exactly what they are. "Women probably need to know less about money than they do about themselves," she adds cryptically. "If you know the sort of life you want you will find that money finds its proper place in it."

When pressed to specify sex differences in dealing with money, Jennings says that women have different long-term objectives for their families, tend to use credit more as a tool than a crutch, and have more time to "reflect on bigger issues while he's rushing off to the office". What about working women, then? "Oh, they have even *less* time," she says hastily.

The listening bank earmarked £50,000 for research projects into how women handle money since, according to Kevin Gavaghan, the Midland's marketing director, "we are aware of the growing importance of the role of the female in finance – at one end of the spectrum in areas of high male unemployment like Sheffield, at the other where 'the inheritance factor' comes into play – because women generally outlive men".

The Midland's research has categorized us – somewhat simplistically – into three types: the competent (a real financial whizz); the coper (who doesn't like finances, but can cope with them); and the casual (a dead loss at figures).

Jennings – who seems to consider these classifications terribly significant, and makes them the *raison d'être* for her book – admits she is only a coper, and a closet casual at heart. The trick, she confides, is for casuals to get competents to handle money for them which sounds a fine idea in theory.

BRIAN EWING

'The average working woman is likely to have about half a million pounds go through her hands in her lifetime'

Jennings calls her book "more a lifestyle book than a financial planner". Readers will be able to test their knowledge with questions framed rather like those in a school maths exam: "Susan and Terry have three children. Susan doesn't work, but Terry does and they just manage. However, Terry has had an accident and will be in hospital for months. What benefit can they claim?" (Answer: statutory sick pay for up to six months, maybe also employer's sick pay and, if desperate, income support and housing benefit and help with fares to the hospital through the Community Care scheme.)

Jane Skinner, one of the prime movers behind the Women's Enterprise Development Agency (WEDA) at Aston University, has just published, together with Rennie Fritchie, another guide for women to add to the growing pile: *Working Choices: A Life-Planning Guide for Women Today* (Dent, £4.50).

Holly Bishop, a bank manager seconded to act as advisor to and for WEDA, says: "Things may be getting easier, but there's still a long way to go. Women *still tell us* they can't get a bank loan without their husband's guarantee, or raise the capital for a new business without a male partner."

A recent survey by the Bradford and Bingley Building Society confirmed that several High Street branches refuse to deal with wives without also talking to their husbands, and its chief executive, Geoffrey Lister, warned of "a disturbing tendency among financial institutions to patronize women", although all of the big banks – including Lloyds and the Midland – denied such charges.

Perhaps there may be an even bigger, untapped, market for books telling banks *how to* treat women – rather than the other way around.

On the parallel bars

BARBARA AMIEL

American television star Phil Donahue is warming his audience up in the Palladium. "Why can't men let their feelings show?" he asks his audience, about two-thirds women. "Is it nature or is it nurture? I had a lady who told me every night she says to her husband 'I love you darling' and from the other side of the bed came the grunt 'ditto'." The audience claps. They know.

Donahue is wearing authentic original Levis and they are faded just right. As he holds the microphone on stage, getting ready to tape one of the five shows he is doing from the UK to be played daily on ITV the week of September 26, you can't help it, you become just one more of those women in that collective intake of breath watching him move. Then a lady from Leeds gets up and says it for everyone. "Where did you get those jeans?" she asks and Donahue does a little sway from side to side, his hand on hip. "My dear," he says. "You mean blue jeans are so American." That's *it, of course. Donahue is so* American. He's fit, just like his jeans, lean, tall and that big handsome potato-face has a little boy smile and aviator glasses. "He's just awesome," says the woman in front of me and collapses in her seat.

Donahue has been a talk show host for more than 20 years and is the father of a format that makes the audiences the major part of each show. Each hour-long show features one topic, a few "expert" guests on the stage and Donahue roving among the studio audience, portable mike in hand. Today the topic is "Clause 28: Britain's Anti-Gay Law?" The hands are in the air waving furiously for his *attention. A short-haired* woman in pink corduroy jeans, a bunch of keys mounted on her right hip, makes her point. She is a teacher and has told her pupils that "I am a gay woman". The audience claps. The woman in front of her stands up, her red pony-tail shaking. "I wasn't told what this show was about," she says. "When I telephoned, I asked and they wouldn't tell me. Now I find I'm here, surrounded by . . . these people." Her voice tapers, a little unsure of herself. Donahue turns on her. "You mean surrounded by gay people?"

Before the end of the show, Ian McKellen and Michael Cashman (two of the guests sitting on the stage together with Sir Rhodes Boyson and the Rev. David Rushworth-Smith) *will have declaimed* about the end of democracy and the persecution of homosexuals in Britain. There will have been at least two revelations from lesbians about how they informed their daughters of their predilection. "Did your daughters have a traumatic time when you told them?" asks *a man in the audience* after one such moment. Donahue breaks the three-second record for running from row X to row B in the Palladium stalls. "For me and for them it is normal and natural to be lesbian," replies the woman to tumultuous applause. The programme is getting increasingly vulgar, if possible, and brings to mind Donahue's favourite example of his show's frankness. "We had an interracial lesbian couple," he told the audience, "who had a child by inseminating the black partner with the sperm of the white partner's brother. You better believe that caused some coronaries back in the office. But it went on."

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Nothing much to say about all this, of course, except for the irritating need of Donahue and his staff to insist that this sort of programming is informative and, indeed, about "ideas". It's all done in the name of feminism, as well. "We proved women want more than soap operas and games shows on daytime television," Donahue explains. "Our success showed that women out there are well-informed and thinking."

I often wonder if a television producer would dare apply the same logic to a programme about a more tangible skill *than the art of* ratiocination. Would they invite a group of people who are as unskilled, for example, in dancing or physics as the average studio audience is in gathering and analysing ideas, and then ask them to perform the gavotte or demonstrate the splitting of the atom?

This sort of television can be very funny, naturally. Put a group of dentists, or Mrs Thatcher for that matter, in the studio and ask them all to perform gymnastics on the parallel bars and the results may be most amusing. What the *Donahue show does is rather* like this. It invites people who have no special thinking ability to perform on the parallel bars of logic and reason. The audience is entertained at the expense of the audience.

In fact, this sort of programming doesn't prove anything at all positive about the taste of daytime programming viewers, only that interesting topics can by this format be reduced to a soap opera of ideas. Mind you, even if the audience were made up of clones of Lord Blake and Sir Isaiah Berlin, I shouldn't think a significantly higher level of discussion could be mounted so long as Donahue gave them little more than a 30-second interjection as, like a demented dodo, he ran for the next video clip.

"Is there anything about *you that is not reflected in this* show?" I asked Donahue. He couldn't think of anything. "Who inspires you?" I asked. The answer was American TV personalities Barbara Walters and Mike Wallace. It all fitted in with a list of Donahue programme topics that over *the years has* reflected every passing whim. Xaviera Hollander in 1976, Billy Graham in 1978, Jane Fonda in 1980 and *glasnost* in 1988.

Nothing wrong with being a media person, I thought, but it can infect one with the disease of terminal trendiness. It's not that current ideas can't be discussed, of course, but as a rule of thumb I would be inclined to say that any real exploration *of ideas would by* definition be untrendy. It is the attempt to find out what is flawed in received wisdom that may lead to knowledge.

At the end of his performance Donahue stood outside the theatre shaking hands with nearly a thousand people. Would Wogan do that, I thought. The ladies from Nottingham were besotted as they waited in the line-up. "He's such a nice man," they said. He is, indeed, and skilled and clever with his camera techniques. Which has nothing to *do with the intrinsic silliness* of his programme.

No smoke without fear

Why young women have a new reason to stop smoking – and doctors to stop asking them about their sex lives

An article published in today's *Lancet* shows a direct physical link between cigarette smoking and cervical cancer. In *theory, it should make* absolutely no difference to women's smoking habits.

After all, the risks of dying from lung cancer are five times greater, yet women still smoke. They smoke despite the risks of heart disease, arterial disease (in which a limb might need to be amputated), and despite their much higher chances of stroke.

In practice, however, the *Lancet* report may give young women smokers the incentive they need to give up. Almost a third of women have the habit and they are slower to give it up than men. Despite all health education efforts, 27 per cent of girls aged 15 to 16 are smokers and their numbers are not declining.

The *Lancet* report might change this because, while the traditional diseases of smoking afflict older people and seem a lifetime away, cervical cancer is a disease with which young woman are all too familiar. Although it claims "only" 2,200 lives in the UK annually, four million cervical smears are taken every year. In some parts of the country one in 10 of these will show signs of abnormality. Only a very small percentage of them will go on to develop into cervical cancer (although we now know that smoking makes this much more likely).

At London's Royal Northern Hospital, of 2,000 new patients seen with abnormal smears, only about 40 will have cervical cancer. Yet the effects on women who are called back for further investigation of what is a mere suspicion are devastating.

Albert Singer, a leading authority on cervical cancer, said four out of five women who came to his treatment centre at the Royal Northern showed signs of distress, usually psycho-sexual problems. "Many of the girls are in their early twenties. This is the first event which has shocked them to thinking about their own mortality." Singer estimates that approximately 80 per cent of the women coming to him for treatment are smokers.

The Hollywood version: Marlene Dietrich in 1940, when the woman with a cigarette could be shown as a sultry seductress

Other studies have shown that, while the medical profession regards the treatment of abnormal cells on the neck of the womb as precautionary, *the* women feel they have a disease striking right in the most intimate and sensitive parts of their bodies. They become frantic that they may lose their chance of motherhood. They lose interest in sex and they often become deeply *depressed*.

The most recent research on these reactions has been carried out by Professor Martin Vessey, of Oxford University, and Tina Posner, of the Policy Studies Institute. They interviewed 153 women about *their* feelings after hearing their smears were abnormal, after being investigated by medical microscope (colposcopy) and after surgical treatment. The women did not see their smears as an indication of possible cancer, but as warning that they had the disease.

The results, set out in a book to be published on Monday, show that doctors have underestimated the pain and discomfort of treatment and give too little information about the condition itself.

The authors write: "Well women, who may be symptomless, can be rendered passive patients, feeling helpless in the face of a threat to their wellbeing, and fearful of their body's 'contamination' . . . healing requires attention to the personal and social meaning of medical intervention as much to the physical state of the cervix. Reassurance, warmth and understanding from doctors and nurses and the patient's family and friends have all been shown to be important in providing support for women as they go through the medical process."

A major complaint of the women interviewed was the way in which their privacy was invaded. The book recommends that clinic doors should be locked during examination and treatment and that observers should only be admitted with the patient's permission.

In the past there has been an element of "*victim blaming*" in medical attitudes to the disease. Doctors who carried out the *Lancet* research admitted that there had been a reluctance to believe in the biological links between smoking and cancer. Now it has been established that it is the physical effects of smoking which explain the higher incidence of cervical cancer in cigarette smokers, and not *their risk-taking sexual lifestyle*. Singer said that doctors had been "chauvinistic and presumptious" in linking the disease to sexual promiscuity in women. Now it was known that the number of partners a husband or boyfriend had was just as relevant. One of the *main triggers for cervical cancer* is the genital wart virus, which is transmitted during sexual intercourse. However, this virus is extremely common, difficult to treat, and most people who carry it do not go on to develop cervical cancer.

Posner and Vessey's book suggests that women should not be routinely asked about their sexual history. "In asking such questions doctors are using their authority to gain access to privileged information: this may add to the sense of invaded privacy."

Another recommendation is that women should be brought into making medical decisions about treatment so they feel they are taking some responsibility for their health. In the light of today's *Lancet* report, such a responsibility must include giving up smoking and getting her partner to give up as well: passive smoking is also thought to put women at risk of cervical cancer.

Ann Kent

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● Prevention of Cervical Cancer: A Patient's View, *by Tina Posner and Martin Vessey (The King's Fund Publishing, £6.95).*

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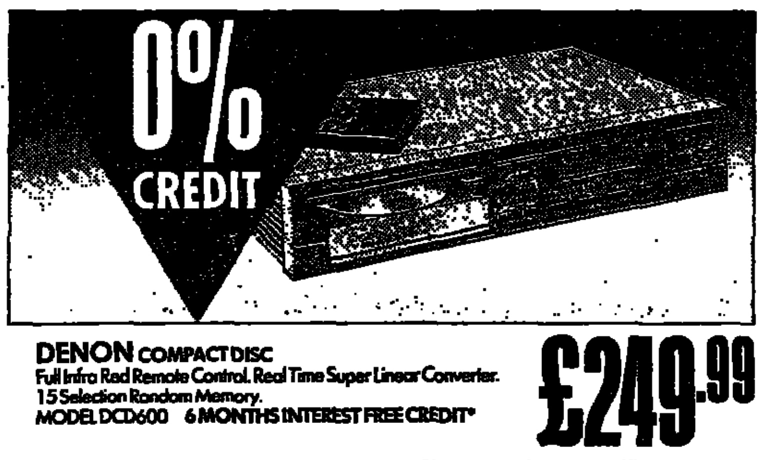

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In a gallery of comics

Simon Annand

Behind the mask: the courtiers march to the throne in Opera North's *The Love for Three Oranges* in Leeds

Opera North celebrates the beginning of its tenth anniversary season with a new production of Prokofiev's *The Love for Three Oranges*. The company can congratulate itself on two coups: it has secured Pauline Tinsley, one of our most characterful sopranos who, alas, has spent too much of her working life abroad, to play the central role of the sorceress, Fata Morgana. It has also procured a pair of American twins, the Brothers Quay, to make their opera début designing its fantastic set: they have a history of work in puppetry animation and have worked on Channel 4 documentaries on Stravinsky and Janáček. Richard Jones is in charge of production. His playful *Cosi fan tutte* for Scottish Opera and *Count Ory* for Kent Opera give some idea of what we might expect. His challenge will be to sort out a *commedia dell'arte* gallery of comic characters (originally from Carlo Gozzi's comedy), including the Princess Clarissa sung by Patricia Payne, Truffaldino (Paul Harrhy) and Leandro (Andrew Shore), with an attentive ear to Prokofiev's witty and exotic score. With its bass trombone herald, its famous menacing march and Act Three scherzo, it will be conducted by David Lloyd-Jones. Grand Theatre, New Briggate, Leeds (0532 459351), 7.15-9.45 pm, £4-£18.75. *Hilary Finch*

THEATRE

LONDON

☆ **BLOOD BROTHERS:** Willy Russell's sentimental musical: separated twins destroyed by the English class system; Kiki Dee as their mother.
Albery Theatre, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (01-867 1115). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.45pm, mats Thurs 3-6pm, and Sat 4-7pm, £6.90-£16.50.

☆ **BUSSY D'AMBOIS:** David Threlfall plays the flamboyant hero in Chapman's Jacobean tragedy set in the French court of Henri III.
Old Vic, Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-928 7616). Tube: Waterloo. Mon-Fri, 7.30pm and Sat 7.45pm; mats Wed 2.30pm and Sat 4pm, £4-£14.

☆ **DREAMS IN AN EMPTY CITY:** Lewis Fitz-Gerald heads a strong cast in a murder thriller set in Sydney's financial world.
Lyric Theatre, King Street, W6 (01-741 2311). Tube: Hammersmith. Mon-Sat, 7.45pm; mats Wed 2.30pm and Sat 4pm, £5-£10.

☆ **DRIVING MISS DAISY:** Wendy Hiller, Barry Foster, Clarke Peters in this year's Pulitzer prizewinner: the relationship between an elderly Jewess and her black chauffeur. Fragile material but fine acting.
Apollo Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 2663). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-9.30pm; mats Sat 5-6.30pm, £5-£14.

☆ **SUGAR BABIES:** Mickey Rooney and Ann Miller stars in nostalgia show vastly popular on *Broadway*.
Savoy Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 8888) Tube: Charing Cross. Previews 8-10.30pm and mat Sat 2.30-5pm. Opens Sept 20, 7-9.30pm. Then Mon-Sat 8.10.30pm and mats Thurs and Sat 2.30-5pm, previews £7.50 to £19. From September 20, £8.50-£22.

★ **A TOUCH OF DANGER:** New Francis Durbridge thriller puts William Franklyn in danger of his life from international espionage.
Whitehall Theatre, Whitehall, SW1 (01-867 1119): Tube: Charing Cross. Mon-Sat 8-10pm; mats Thur 3-5pm, Sat 5-7pm. Tonight £9, tomorrow £10. From Mon £7.50-£12.

☆ **UNCLE VANYA:** Michael Gambon, Jonathan Pryce and Imelda Staunton splendid in Michael Blakemore's Chekhov revival.
Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 9988). Tube: Charing Cross. Mon to Fri 7.45pm, Sat 8.30pm. Mats Wed 2.30, Sat 5pm, £7.50-£15.

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **And Then There Were None:** Strand Theatre (01-836 2660)...☆ **Beyond Reasonable Doubt:** Queen's Theatre (01-734 1166).. ☆ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079)...☆ **Follies:** Shaftesbury Theatre (01-379 5399).. ☆ *42nd Street*: Drury Lane Theatre (01-836 8108/9)...☆ **Les Liaisons Dangereuses:** Ambassadors Theatre (01-836 6111)...☆ **Me and My Girl:** Adelphi Theatre (01-240 7913/4)...☆ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909)...☆ **The** *Mousetrap*: St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443)...★ **The Phantom of The Opera:** Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244)...☆ **Run For Your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216)...☆ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria (01-828 8665).

OUT OF TOWN

BATH: ☆ **Dry Rot:** Brian Rix returns to the stage to drop his trousers in this old Whitehall farce.
Theatre Royal, Sawclose, Bath (0225 65065), Mon-Fri 7.30pm, £7-£13.50.

LEICESTER: ☆ **Julius Caesar:** First half of a two play project directed by John Dexter: *Creon* (aka *Antigone*) follows later.
Haymarket Theatre, Belgrave Gate (0533 530021), Mon-Sat 7.30pm, £4-£8.50.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: ☆ **A Tale of Two Cities:** Cambridge Theatre Co. joins forces with the Tyne company for a musical attack on the French Revolution; with Christian Burgenn and Pauline Black.
Tyne Theatre, Westgate Street (091 232 0899). Mon-Fri 7.30pm, mat Sat 2.30pm, £4-£7.50.

FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
☎ ***Advance booking possible***

■ **BEETLEJUICE (15):** Michael Keaton steals the scenes as a ghost in a supernatural comedy. Tim Burton directs (92 min).
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.40, 4.00, 6.20, 8.40.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 1.55, 4.15, 6.40, 9.05.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.30, 3.55, 6.15, 8.40.
☎ **Warner West End** (01-439 7691). Progs 2.20, 4.25, 6.30, 8.40.

BIG BUSINESS (PG): Farcical comedy re-working the *Comedy of Errors* plot, with Bette Midler and Lily Tomlin as two mismatched sets of identical twins who find themselves on opposite sides in a business venture. Directed by Jim Abrahams.
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 1.35, 4.00, 6.30, 9.35.
Notting Hill Coronet (01-727 7697). Progs 1.50, 3.40, 6.40, 8.50.
Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644). Progs 1.40, 4.00, 6.20, 8.40.
Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905). Progs 2.10, 4.15, 6.30, 8.50.

BILOXI BLUES (PG): Reminiscences of an army camp with Matthew Broderick and Christopher Walken as new recruits (107 min).
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 2.20, 5.40, 8.15.
Cannon Fulham Road (01-370 2636). Progs 2.15, 6.15, 9.15.
Empire Leicester Square (01-200 0200). Progs 2.15, 4.45, 7.15, 9.30.

BUSTER (15): Singer Phil Collins makes his cinema debut in a film surveying the life and loves of Buster Edwards of Great Train Robbery fame (102 min).
Odeon Leicester Square (01-930 6111). Progs 12.40, 3.15, 6.00, 8.40.

■ **COMING TO AMERICA (15):** Eddie Murphy as a pampered foreign prince who comes to America to select his own bride. A botched comic vehicle with a touch of sweetness: directed by John Landis. (116 min).
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.15, 6.20, 9.15.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 2.10, 5.15, 8.20.
Plaza 2 (01-200 0200). Progs 2.00, 4.30, 7.00, 9.30.

■ **CROCODILE DUNDEE II (PG):** Disappointingly flat sequel to the runaway Aussie hit, with Paul Hogan repeating his role as the king of the Outback (112 min).
☎ **Empire Leicester Square** (01-200 0200). Progs 12.15, 2.30, 4.45, 7.15, 9.30, 11.55.

DROWNING BY NUMBERS (18): Three generations of women, all called Cissie Colpitts, become involved with a coroner, who knows about the deaths of their husbands in deep water (118 min).
Gate (01-727 4043). Progs 1.30, 3.45, 6.20, 8.45.
☎ **Lumiere** (01-836 0691). Progs 1.15, 3.40, 6.10, 8.40.

THE LAST TEMPTATION OF CHRIST (18): Martin Scorsese's long controversial, stylistically jumbled version of Nikos Kazantzakis's novel. With Willem Dafoe as an anguished Jesus battling between the flesh and the spirit, Harvey Keitel as Judas, and Barbara Hershey as Mary Magdalene (163 min).
Cannon Fulham Road (01-370 2636). Progs 1.40, 5.15, 8.45.
Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue (01-836 8861). Progs 12.50, 4.00, 7.30.
Plaza (01-437 1234). Progs 2.15, 5.30, 8.45.

■ **RAMBO III (18):** In which Sylvester Stallone vacates a Buddhist monastery to spring a Green Beret buddy from Soviet imprisonment in Afghanistan. A strident sequel, strewn with battles and blood. Directed by Peter Macdonald; with Richard Crenna.
Odeon Marble Arch (01-723 2011). Progs 1.30, 4.00, 6.20, 9.00.
Odeon West End (01-930 5252). Progs 1.15, 3.40, 6.10, 8.45.

THE SICILIAN (15): Michael Cimino's latest extravaganza — an epic account of the post-war outlaw leader Salvatore Giuliano, with an odd bunch of international players (Christopher Lambert as Giuliano, Joss Ackland as a Mafia chieftain) (146 min).
Odeon Haymarket (01-839 7697). Progs 2.15, 5.30, 8.45.

TOP FILMS AND VIDEOS

LONDON:
1 (5) Big Business
2 (—) The Last Temptation of Christ
3 (2) Beetlejuice
4 (1) Coming To America
5 (3) Rambo III
6 (4) Drowning by Numbers
7 (6) A World Apart
8 (—) Biloxi Blues
9 (7) Crocodile Dundee II
10 (8) The Sicilian
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OUTSIDE LONDON:
1 Rambo III
2 Coming To America
3 Beetlejuice
4 Crocodile Dundee II
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UNITED STATES:
1 (—) Moon Over Parador
2 (1) Nightmare on Elm Street IV
3 (3) A Fish Called Wanda
4 (4) Die Hard
5 (2) Betrayed
6 (6) Cocktail
7 (7) Young Guns
8 (6) Who Framed Roger Rabbit
9 (8) Married to the Mob
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LUNCHTIME

☆ **LODGE/OVER:** St James's lunchtime Schubert series continues with Rebecca Lodge, soprano, singing some of his *Lieder*, including *Zuleikas Zweite Gesang* and *Ganymede*, to the accompaniment of Simon Over.
St James's, 187 Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 4511), 1.10-2pm, free.

EVENING

☆ **THREE ROMANTICS:** A concert series titled "Three Romantics" and devoted to Mendelssohn, Schumann and Brahms begins with the Lindsay Quartet playing Brahm's Quartet Op 51 No 1, Schumann's Op 41 No 3 and Mendelssohn's Op 44 No 2.
Blackheath Concert Hall, 23 Lee Rd, London SE3 (01-463 0100), 7.30pm, £5.50, £7.50.

☆ **BORIS BERESOVSKY:** This Russian pianist performs Beethoven's Sonata Op 31 No 2, Schumann's Symphonic Studies and Prokofiev's Sonata No 7.
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, £3-£6.

☆ **PENULTIMATE PROM:** The 68th Prom of the 94th season begins with Weber's *Euryanthe* Overture, ends, by immemorial custom, with Beethoven's Symphony No 9. Roger Norrington conducts the London Classical Players and massed vocal forces.
Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-589 8212, cc 01-379 4444), 7.30pm, £3-£15.

OPERA

☆ **LA BOHEME:** New production for Opera Northern Ireland as they open their season. Bliss Hebert directs and Kenneth Montgomery conducts.
Grand Opera House, Belfast, (0232 241919), 7.30-10pm, £11-£18.

☆ **MADAM BUTTERFLY:** Revival of Welsh National Opera's Joachim Herz production, with cast led by the Chinese soprano Nancy Yuen and conducted by Julian Smith.
New Theatre, Cardiff, (0222 394844), 7.15.-10.15pm, £6-£21.

ROCK

★ **BELINDA CARLISLE:** "Heaven Is A Place On Earth" chart-topper and former singer with the Go-Gos continues her first British tour as a solo act.
Hammersmith Odeon, Queen Caroline St, London W6 (01-748 4081) 7.30pm, £7-£8.

★ **WOMACK & WOMACK:** "Teardrops" may be the best song in the current chart and *Conscience* is an estimable album, but the soul family's live shows remain an embarrassingly old-fashioned shambles.
St Georges Hall, Hall Ings, Bradford (0274 752000) 7.30pm, £5-£6.

☆ **THE MIGHTY DIAMONDS:** Veteran reggae stars headline a skanking special, also featuring Akabu and DBC.
Astoria, 157 Charing Cross Rd, London WC2 (01-434 0403) 8pm, £6.50.

☆ **TANITA TIKARAM:** Start of the "Good Tradition: wunderkind's debut tour.
Guildhall, St Giles Square, Northampton (0604 31144) 8pm, £5.

JAZZ

☆ **SHEILA JORDAN:** One of the most idiosyncratic of American vocalists, she will be in residence at the Bass Clef in London for most of next week.
Brighton Jazz Club, The Concorde, Madeira Drive (0273 606460) doors open 8.30pm, £5.

☆ **NORMA WINSTONE:** Leading a quartet tonight, the singer is best known for her work with the austere "chamber jazz" trio, Azimuth.
Old Bell Hotel, Market Place, Warminster (info 0985 218519) doors open
7.45pm, £4.50.

☆ **CHARLES MCPHERSON:** The American bop altoist was a Mingus sideman for more than a decade.
100 Club, 100 Oxford St, London W1 (01-636 0933) 8pm, £6.

☆ **CLEO LAINE/JOHN DANKWORTH TRIO:** Joining forces for two nights of "Sondheim
And So On..."
The Stables, Wavendon, Milton Keynes (0908 583928) 8pm, £6-£12.

DANCE

☆ **MINIATURES:** A new programme by the Indian dancer Shobana Jeyasingh, including a new score composed and conducted by Michael Nyman.
The Place, Dukes Rd, London, WC1 (01-387 0031) 8-10pm £5.

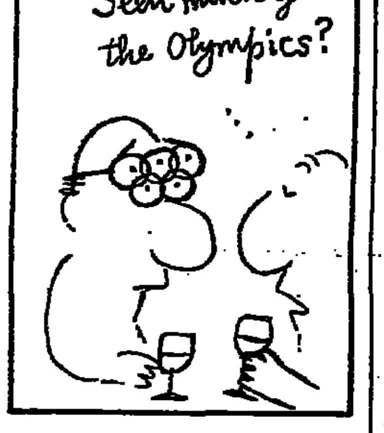
GALLERIES

HENRY MOORE (1898-1986): A major retrospective.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-439 7438), Daily 10am-6, £3.50, until Dec 11.

DUNCAN GRANT (1885-1978): A show focusing on the painter's decorative art, done chiefly for Roger Fry's Omega Workshops.
The Bloomsbury Workshop, 12 Galen Place, London WC1 (01-405 0632), Tues-Fri 10am-5.30pm, free, until Oct 21.

IKATS: A collection of exquisite woven silks from Central Asia.
Turnpike Gallery, Municipal Buildings, Leigh (0942 679407), Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-3pm, free, until Nov 6.

PERSONAL CHOICE: Drawings by artists selected by Jeffery Camp, a retrospect of whose work is currently on at the Royal Academy.
Nigel Greenwood Gallery, 4 New Burlington St, London W1 (01-434 3795), Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10.30am-1.30pm, free, until Oct 8.


Seen much of the Olympics?

Mel Calman's cartoons, which have long been familiar to readers of *The Times*, form a witty, economical and perceptive commentary on the nation's concerns, whether about the state of the National Health Service, unemployment, official secrets or England's performance on the football field. The above example is taken from a new selection, *Modern Times*, appropriately subtitled "an oblique look at life in the Eighties" and published today by André Deutsch (£3.95).

TIM HARRISSON: Sculptures of organic forms in stone and wood; plus paintings by Richard Sleeman.
Pomeroy Purdy Gallery, Jacob Street Studios, Mill St, London SE1 (01-237 6062). Tues-Fri 11am-6.30pm, Sat 11am-4pm, free, until Oct 8.

ANTHONY LYSICIA: Wood carvings, prints and watercolours.
Louise Hallett Gallery, 27 Junction Mews, London W2 (01-724 9865), Tues-Sat 11am-7pm, free, until Oct 8.

WALKS

ON THE TRAIL OF JACK THE RIPPER: meet Whitechapel tube, 7.30pm, £3 (also next Fri).

THE CITY OF LONDON — 2,000 YEARS OF HISTORY: meet St Paul's tube, 2pm, £3 (also next Fri).

OTHER EVENTS

ST CLEMENT DANES FLOWER FESTIVAL: First day of a three-day festival which in many colourful and intricate arrangements depict the RAF throughout its 70 years. Proceeds to the RAF Benevolent Fund.
St Clement Danes Church, The Strand, London WC2. Today until Sun 9.30am-7.30pm, entrance £2, includes booklet.

HARROGATE AUTUMN FLOWER SHOW: Very popular annual event with many competitions and numerous displays.
Exhibition Centre, Harrogate, North Yorkshire. Today 10am-9pm. Tomorrow 9.30am-5pm. Admission today £3.50, tomorrow £3.

LANTERN PROCESSION: Seventh annual parade incorporating three processions for Ulverston's Charter Week. Hundreds of hand-made sculptural lanterns carried by families, throughout the streets, culminating in an illuminated finale.
Ulverston, Cumbria. Procession starts 7.30pm, finale 8.15pm.

ANTARCTICA: A CONTINENT FOR SCIENCE: Opening today an exhibition which explains and illustrates the work of the British Antarctic Survey, responsible for initiating and implementing scientific research, including biological, geological, geophysical, meteorological, glaciological and atmospheric.
***Main Building,** National Museum of* Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff (0222 397951). Today until Oct 16, Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2.30-5pm. Free.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

MALVERN CONCERT CLUB: 1988/9, 85th season, of six concerts, featuring Nash Ensemble, Hanson String Quartet, Yehudi Menuhin School Orchestra, and Endellion String Quartet with Emma Johnson (clarinet). Oct-May.
Malvern Festival Theatre. (0684 892277).

FROM HANDEL TO HAYDN: Jennifer Bate plays a series of three concerts on the newly-restored John England organ in the Music Room of the Iveagh Bequest, Kenwood. Themes are The English Scene, The Italian Influence, and German and Austrian Influences. October.
Tickets from Duke of York's Theatre, St Martin's Lane, London WC2. (01-379 5533).

LAST CHANCE

NEW MILESTONES: Exhibition by Common Ground showing three-year pilot phase of project involving sculptors and local communities, to celebrate landscape and encourage people to look afresh at their surroundings. Ends tomorrow.
Dorset County Museum, 50 Kings Rd, Dorchester (0305 68092).

LATE PICASSO: Paintings, sculpture, drawings and prints, 1953-72, produced in last 20 years of artist's life, with works from Musée National d'Art Moderne and Musée Picasso, in Paris. Last weekend.
Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (01-821 1313).

HARRY GOSLING SCHOOL ART: Paintings by junior school for a book of poems and drawings.
Whitechapel Art Gallery, Whitechapel High St, London E1 (01-377 0107). Ends Sun.

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; **Films:** Geoff Brown; **Concerts:** Max Harrison; **Opera:** Hilary Finch; **Rock:** David Sinclair; **Jazz:** Clive Davis; **Dance:** John Percival; **Galleries:** David Lee; **Walks and Talks:** Greta Carslaw; **Other Events:** Judy Froshaug; **Bookings:** Anne Whitehouse.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 22

CENAL
(a) Referring to or connected with the midday or afternoon meal, from the Latin *cena* the principal Roman meal: "For it is not enough to carouse, it is not enough to sit long over the cenal or prandial ambrosia, it is not, for that matter, enough to swoop on hapless nymphs in zoomorphic disguises."

GAMBRINOUS
(c) Full of beer, beery, sodden, eponymously from Gambrinus, a mythical Flemish king, the reputed inventor of beer, because Flemings were considered beery by the wine-drinking races.

TATER
(b) A home run or base hit at baseball, from the dialect term for *potato*, perhaps related to the admiring term *some potatoes*: "The man who hit all those taters in the American League."

SELENIAN
(c) Relating to the moon, from the Greek *selene* the moon: "I passed a drive-in. In a selenian glow, truly mystical in its contrast with the moonless and massive night."

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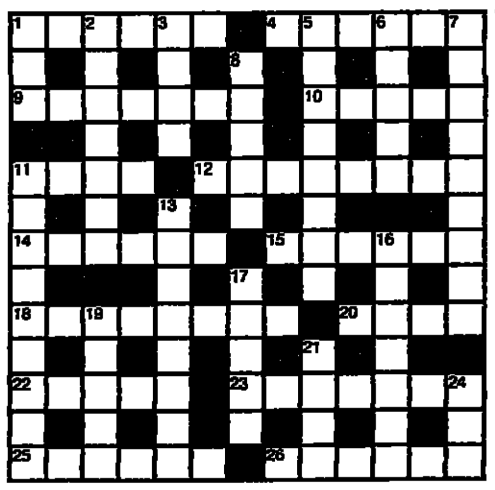

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4 Large prawns (6)
9 Treacherous type (7)
10 Philatelist's mount (5)
11 Specified day (4)
12 Court order official (8)
14 Far away (6)
15 Domestic spider's nest (6)
18 Breezy (8)
20 Factual (4)
22 Russian spirit (5)
23 Silent hunting dog (7)
25 Find (6)
26 Thomas More perfect state (6)

DOWN
1 Pose for artist (3)
2 Ghost (7)
3 Crazy (4)
5 Tendency to unite (8)
6 Obsessive partiality (5)
7 Unutterable (9)
8 Pre-Christian British priest (5)
11 Reckless (9)
13 Sluggish (8)
16 Adore (7)
17 Not fresh (5)
19 Early sonar (5)
21 Stone particles (4)
24 Submerged coastal valley (3)

SOLUTION TO NO 1668
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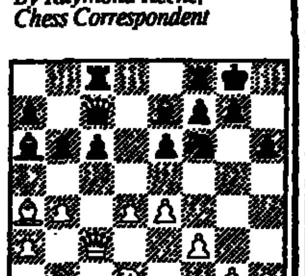
WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent



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Solution to yesterday's position: Black wins with 1 Qxg2+

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SADLERS WELLS 278 8916 First Call CC 24 hr 7 day 240 7200 LAST THREE PERFS Ton't 7.30 Tomor 2.30 & 7.30 CUMBRE FLAMENCA Sept 20-Oct 8 MICHAEL CLARK & COMPANY.

THEATRES

ADELPHI 836 7611 or 240 7913/4 CC 741 9999/ 836 7358/ 379 4444-First call 24hr cc 240 7200 (no bkg fee) Groups 930 6123 NOW BOOKING TO APRIL '89 ME AND MY GIRL THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL Nightly at 7.30 Mats Wed at 2.30 & Sat 4.30 & 8.00 "THE HAPPIEST SHOW IN TOWN" S Express

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ALBERY 867 1115 cc 867 1111 379 4444 (No bkg fee)/741 9999 240 7200 (Bkg fee) Grps 867 1113 WILLY RUSSELL'S BEST MUSICAL SWET Award 1988 BLOOD BROTHERS Starring KIKI DEE "ASTONISHING...A Milestone in British Musicals" S Exp "THRILLING, ORIGINAL and IMPORTANT...Brings the audience to its feet, and roaring its approval" D Mail Eves 7.45 Mats Thurs 3 Sat 4

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APOLLO VICTORIA SS 828 8665 cc 630 6262 Groups 828 6188 CC Open All Hours 379 4444 1st Call 240 7200 K Prowse 741 9999 Groups 930 6123 Eves 7.45 Mats Tue & Sat 3.0 "OVERWHELMING" D.Tel STARLIGHT EXPRESS Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER Lyric by RICHARD STILGOE Directed by TREVOR NUNN SOME SEATS AVAIL THIS WEEK OAP's £5 on Tues mats NOW BOOKING TO MAR 31 '89

ARTS S 836 2132: CC 379 4444 24 hrs. 7 days (no bkg fee) Hull Truck in John Godber's TEECHERS "TALES OUT OF SCHOOL" The Guardian. "MARVELLOUSLY FUNNY" The Times Mon-Thur 8, Fri & Sat 6.30 & 9 Stud., UB40's, Snr.Cits £1.50 off 1 hr before perf.

BARBICAN THEATRE 01 638 8891 cc (Mon-Sun 10am-8pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY TICKETS AVAIL - ton't 7.30, tomor 2.00 & 7.30 THREE SISTERS by Anton Chekhov 'Three cheers for triumphant sisters' D.Mail THE PIT Ton't 7.30, tomor 2.0 & 7.30 HYDE PARK by James Shirley

BLOOMSBURY THEATRE Gordon Street WC1 01 387 9629 The National Youth Theatre presents BLOOD WEDDING by Frederico Garcia Lorca Tonight at 8.00 Tomorrow at 2.30 & 8.00 Sponsored by Sainsburys

CAMBRIDGE 379 5299 cc no bkg fee 741 9999/ 24hr bkg fee 240 7200/379 4444 Groups 930 6123 NOW BOOKING ADAM FAITH ANITA DOBSON BUDGIE The Musical. Opens October 18. Previews from October 4

CHICHESTER 0243 781312 THE ROYAL BACCARAT SCANDAL "Great Fun" S. Exp. RING ROUND THE MOON "Theatrical Magic" D Mail. Eves 7.30 Mats Thu & Sat 2.30.

COMEDY 930 2578/8778 CC No Bkg Fee: 839 1438 CC bkg fee: 836 3464/741 9999/379 4444 Grps 240 7941 A Wild New Comedy EXCLUSIVE YARNS "...Mysteriously funny..." C Limits LAST FOUR PERFS Today & Tomor 5.30 & 8.30

CRITERION S 867 1117 CC 867 1111/379 4444/741 9999. Grps 867 1113. Eves 8, Thu mat 2.30, Sat 5.30 & 8.30 "BRITISH FARCE AT ITS BEST" D Mail The Theatre of Comedy Company BRIAN MURPHY JEFFREY HOLLAND JOHN JUNKIN LINDA HAYDEN JILLI FOOT RAY LONNEN LESLIE LAWTON RUN FOR YOUR WIFE! LONDON'S LONGEST RUNNING COMEDY Written and directed by RAY COONEY Over 2000 side-splitting perfs "SHOULD RUN FOR LIFE" S. Ex

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GLOBE THEATRE 01 437 3667/741 9999, First Call 836 3464 (bkg fee). MAGGIE SMITH MARGARET TYZACK in LETTICE AND LOVAGE a new comedy by PETER SHAFFER with RICHARD PEARSON directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE Evgs 7.45. Sat Mat 3.00

GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755. cc 01 853 3800 (no bkg fee) Evenings 7.45 Mats Sat 2.30 CAPTAIN CARVALLO by Denis Cannan. "A rip-roaring tale of romance" Time Out. "Wonderfully funny" Times.

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301 Extended till Sept 24 THE FANCY MAN by Mike Stott "One of the most impressively cast and produced plays of this London summer..." Punch Evgs 8pm. Sat 4.30 & 8pm.

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL Box Office & cc 01-930 9832 First Call 24 hour 7 day cc bkgs on 01 240 7200 (Bkg Fee) REX HARRISON EDWARD FOX "Rules the Roost" D Exp. "Subtle, Powerful, Tender" Obs in J.M. BARRIE'S "Mischievous...Courageous Comedy" Sun Exp. THE ADMIRABLE CRICHTON Evgs 8.00, Mats Weds & Sats 3.00

HER MAJESTYS Haymarket 839 2244 CC 24hr 379 4444 (bkg fee) 240 7200 (bkg fee) Group Sales 930 6123 ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S AWARD WINNING MUSICAL THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA DAVE WILLETTS CLAIRE MOORE MICHAEL BALL Jan Hartley Morris plays Christine at certain performances Directed by HAROLD PRINCE Eves 7.45 Mats Wed & Sat 3 New booking period 3 April-30 Sept '89. Queue daily for returns.

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LYRIC 01 437 3686 01 434 1550 cc 01 434 1050/734 5166/741 9999 24 hr cc 379 4444/836 3464 (bkg fee) BRIAN RIX ELSPET GRAY DEREK GRIFFITHS & RICHARD VERNON in DRY ROT by JOHN CHAPMAN Eves 8 Mats Thur 3 Sat 5 Previews & Then Opens Sept 28

LYRIC HAMMERSMITH 01 741 2311 Eves 7.45pm Mats Wed 2.30pm Sat 4pm. Oz '88 presents DREAMS IN AN EMPTY CITY by Stephen Sewell. "Highly charged conflict between three brilliantly performed characters" Times. "A chandleresque setting of financial and murderous intrigue" F Times. Studio: Eves 8pm THE GO-GO BOYS in PRIVATE MEMBERS.

NATIONAL THEATRE SE1 Box Office & CC 01-928 2252 Agencies. bkg fee: 379 4444/240 7200/741 9999 NATIONAL THEATRE OLIVIER Ton't 7.00, Tomor 1.30 (please note earlier start) & 7.00 CYMBELINE by Shakespeare LYTTELTON Ton't 7.30, Tomor 2.15 & 7.30 (last perfs) CAT ON A HOT TIN ROOF by Tennessee Williams COTTESLOE Ton't, Tomor, Wed & Thur 7.30 WHEN WE WERE WOMEN new play by Sharman Macdonald replaces THE FATHER. The opening of The Father is now postponed until 26 Oct. Phone Box Office for full details. Cheap seats days of perfs all theatres from 10am

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OLD VIC 928 7616 CC 261 1821 Ton't 7.30. Tomor 4.00 & 7.45 BUSSY D'AMBOIS a Jacobean tragedy by George Chapman Directed by Jonathan Miller "RICH, SINEWY PRODUCTION ...BEAT A PATH TO THE OLD VIC" Gdn. "BOLD AND MAGNIFICENT" Obs. LAST 3 PERFS!

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PHOENIX 01 836 2294 cc 240 9661/741 9999 and 24hrs with bkg fee 379 4444/240 7200 groups 836 2294/930 6123 The Renaissance Theatre Co's Shakespeares PLAYING THIS WEEK: Ton't at 7.45/Tomor at 4.00 & 8.00 MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING directed by Judi Dench

PICCADILLY 867 1118 cc 867 1111/379 4444 (no bkg fee) 240 7200/741 9999 Grps 867 1113 The Fabulous Singlettes in STOP IN THE NAME OF LOVE "A gloriously tongue-in-cheek tribute to the legendary girl groups" Times Mon-Thurs 8 Fri & Sat 6.30 & 9 MON & MATS ALL SEATS [illegible]

PLAYHOUSE WC2 01 839 4401 CC 01 240 7200/741 9999/379 4444 (no bkg fee). Grps 930 6123 SIMON CADELL & LISA HARROW in DOUBLE ACT by Barry Creyton [illegible] Press Sept 20 & 21. Open Sept 22 7pm. Evgs 8pm. Mats Thur & Sat 3pm (No Mat Sept 22).

PRINCE EDWARD 734 8951 ALL tel cc bkgs FIRST CALL 24hr 7 day on 836 3464 Grp Sales 930 6123 Eve 7.30 Mat Thur/Sat 2.30 BEST MUSICAL 1986 Drama Magazine CHESS 'A GRAND MASTER OF A SHOW' Newsweek

PRINCE OF WALES 839 5989 GEMMA CRAVEN EMILE BELCOURT RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S SOUTH PACIFIC "WALL-TO-WALL SHOW STOPPERS" D Exp "TERRIFIC" Times "A Great Musical" S Times Monday - Saturday 7.30 Matinees Wed & Sat 2.30 Credit Cards 24 hrs 01 836 3464 Group Sales 930 6123

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SHAFTESBURY THEATRE Box Office 379 5399 24hr cc 379 4444 (bkg fee) cc 741 9999 240 7200 (bkg fee) Groups 930 6123 WINNER OF ALL BEST MUSICAL AWARDS 1987 JULIA McKENZIE MILLICENT MARTIN DANIEL MASSEY DAVID HEALY & EARTHA KITT FOLLIES The Sondheim/Goldman Musical 'A TRULY FANTASTIC EVENING' F.T. Eves 7.45 Mats Wed & Sat 3. Discounts available for groups for Wed Mats. Now booking to Jan '89

SHAW 01 388 1394 100 Euston Rd NW1 The National Youth Theatre presents A MIDSUMMER NIGHTS DREAM by William Shakespeare Today at 2.30 & 7.30 Sponsored by Sainsburys

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VAUDEVILLE 836 9987/5645 cc 741 9999 1st Call 836 3464 (Bkg Fee) Mon-Fri Evgs 7.45. Mat Wed 2.30. Sat 5.0 & 8.30 MICHAEL GAMBON JONATHAN PRYCE IMELDA STAUNTON BENJAMIN WHITROW and GRETA SCACCHI in UNCLE VANYA by ANTON CHEKHOV in a new translation by MICHAEL FRAYN Dir by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE

VICTORIA PALACE 834 1317 LERNER & LOEWE'S BRIGADOON Prevs from 21 Oct. Opens 25 Oct. Group Sales 930 6123

WHITEHALL 867 1119 cc 867 1111 379 4444 (no bkg fee) 240 7200/741 9999 Grps 867 1113 FRANCIS DURBRIDGE'S Latest Mystery A TOUCH OF DANGER TONIGHT ALL SEATS £9! Eves 8 Mats Thu 3 Sat 5 Press night Sept 22 at 7 ALL SEATS £9!

WYNDHAM'S THEATRE 01-867 1116 cc 01-867 1111/379 4444 (no bkg fee) Grps 01-867 1113 Previews September 20 & 21 Opens September 22 at 7.00pm JEREMY BRETT EDWARD HARDWICKE in THE SECRET OF SHERLOCK HOLMES A new play by Jeremy Paul Directed by Patrick Garland Mon-Fri 8.00. Sats. 5.30 & 8.30 Mats Wed 3.00

ART GALLERIES

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

Compiled by Peter Dear and Jane Rackham

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM.

6.35 Clark and McCullough in *Snug in a Jug* (b/w). 6.55 Weather

7.00 Breakfast Time with John Stapleton and Pamela Armstrong. Includes national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30; weather at 7.25, 7.55 and 8.25; regional news and travel reports at 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27. 8.55 Regional news and weather

9.00 News and weather followed by Geoffrey Smith's World of Flowers. Geraniums and pelargoniums (r). 9.30 Model World. Model railways (r).

10.00 News and weather followed by The Flintstones (r). 10.25 Play School (r). 10.50 The Perishers (r). 10.55 Five to Eleven with Cyril Cusack.

11.00 News and weather followed by Arthur Negus Enjoys. With Michael Smith, Arthur Negus enjoys drinks in the great dining room of Chatsworth House (r). 11.30 Cooking With Clare. Clare Connery prepares supper (r).

12.00 News and weather followed by Dallas (r). (Ceefax) 12.50 Cartoon. *House of Tomorrow* (r). 12.55 Regional news and weather.

1.00 One O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. Weather. 1.30 Neighbours. Gail is caught between Paul's machinations and Jeremy's courting.

1.50 Film: *Bengazi* (1955, b/w) starring Richard Conte and Victor McLaglen. Drama about the search for hidden gold in the north African desert. Directed by John Brahm

3.10 Lifeline. The latest charity news and an appeal by Sue Cook on behalf of the Handicapped Adventure Playground Association (r). 3.20 Cartoon. *Mother Goose on the Loose* (r). 3.25 Go For It! Family fitness series (r).

3.50 SuperTed (r). 4.00 Corners. The first of a new series of 15 programmes answering all types of young people's questions

4.15 Popeye. Three cartoons 4.35 Steel Riders. Episode seven of the eight-part children's drama. (Ceefax)

5.00 Newsround 5.10 Grange Hill. Episode two of 20-part serial (r). (Ceefax) 5.35 Neighbours (r).

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew Harvey. Weather

6.35 London Plus

7.00 Wogan. Tonight Terry has an hilarious time with Robin Williams the American funny-man who plays Mork in the comedy series *Mork and Mindy*. Among the other guests is Marvin Hamlisch

7.40 Blankety Blank. On Les Dawson's panel this week are Lynda Baron, Joe Brown, Eddie Edwards, Bonnie Langford, Rose Marie and Greg Rogers. (Ceefax)

8.15 Twenty-Two Years of the Two Ronnies. Messrs Barker and Corbett with another hand-picked selection of sketches from their fruitful comic association. (Ceefax)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather.

9.30 Casualty. Part two of the 10-programme series set in the casualty ward of a general hospital. (Ceefax)

10.15 Olympic Preview introduced from Seoul by Desmond Lynam. An assessment of who are likely to be the gold-medal winners; and a look at what life is like in the South Korean capital.

11.15 Film: Dirty Harry (1971) starring Clint Eastwood and Harry Guardino. Thriller about a tough, uncompromising San Francisco policeman assigned to track down a psycopath sniper who kills a girl and holds the city to ranson. Directed by Don Siegel.

12.55am Olympic Grandstand. Live from Seoul, the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games described by David Coleman. Ends at 5.00.

ITV/LONDON

6.00 TV-am begins with News and The Morning Programme, introduced by Mike Morris; 7.00 News followed by Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. After Nine includes Russell Grant's astrology slot.

9.25 Thames news and weather

9.30 Runway. Travel and general knowledge quiz hosted by Richard Madeley 10.00 Rainbow. Learning with puppets (r). 10.20 News headlines 10.25 Thames news headlines and weather.

10.30 Film: Beg, Borrow. . . or Steal (1973) starring Mike Connors, Michael Cole and Kent McCord as three physically disabled men who, determined to prove that they are not unemployable, open a laundromat. When that business fails they decide to show their ability by executing a daring robbery. Directed by David Lowell Rich.

12.00 Dancing. In this last of his series, John Blacking, professor of Social Anthropolgy at Queen's University, Belfast, examines dance in therapy and education 12.30 Santa Barbara. Mason, about to interrogate Summer, receives a telephone call with dramatic news about Lionel

1.00 News at One with Jon Snow 1.20 Thames news and weather.

1.30 Living Memories. Dr Rowe of the London History Workshop tapes the reminiscences of elderly Docklands dwellers 2.00 The Bill (r). 2.55 Home Cookery Club. Home-Made Chutney.

3.00 Take the High Road. How can the minister help old friends without upsetting the awesome Mr Parker? And Mr Murdoch receives a surprise

3.25 Thames news and weather 3.30 Sons and Daughters. Dave organizes a dinner date for Susan, unaware that it could be fraught with danger

4.00 Scooby Doo. Cartoon series (r). 4.10 Crush a Grape. Slapstick comedy with Stu Francis 4.45 Freetime includes a visit to St Giles Fair, Oxford. The first of a new series.

5.15 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz game presented by Bob Holness.

5.45 News with Alastair Stewart 6.00 LWT News and weather

6.15 Police 5 introduced by Shaw Taylor

6.30 Family Affairs. A mother and her 19-year-old daughter thrash out their differences before a studio audience, Mike Smith and Phillip Hodson

7.00 Daley. (see Choice)

8.10 Romance: Sun Child. (see Choice)

10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Burnet and John Suchet 10.30 LWT News and weather

10.35 Family Affairs Update. Participants of the show's nine-week run talk about the experience and what has happened to their difficult relationships since appearing on the show.

11.05 Film: *Play Misty for Me* (1971) starring Clint Eastwood. Chiller about Dave Garver, a California radio disc jockey who receives telephone messages from a deranged women wanting him to play for her the record *Misty*. She turns out to be pathologically jealous of Garver's other loves. With Jessica Walter, James McEachin and Donna Mills. The film marked the directorial debut of Clint Eastwood

1.00 Night Network includes singers Steven Dante and Latoya Jackson and a band tipped for the top, Perfect Day. Plus the week's music news presented by David Sinclair, rock correspondent of *The Times*.

4.00 Baseball '88. Kansas City Royals v Minnesota Twins.

5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends at 6.00.

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Science Foundation Course. Ends at 7.20. 9.00 Ceefax.

12.30 Open University Showcase: Behind the Annual Report 12.55 Computer-Aided Engineering. 1.20 Mop and Smiff (r). 1.35 Weekend Outlook (r). 1.40 Ceefax

2.00 News and weather followed by Look, Stranger. A profile of a sporting gunsmith (r).

2.25 Racing from Newbury. Julian Wilson introduces coverage of the 2.40, 3.10, 3.40 and 4.10 races. The commentators are Peter O'Sullevan, Jimmy Lindley and John Hanmer. Includes news and weather at 3.00 and 3.50.

4.25 Primary Preview (r). 4.50 Holiday Outings. Anne Gregg visits the Himalayas and Kathmandu and goes on an elephant safari (r).

5.00 The Strange Affair of. . . the Pied Piper of Hamelin (r).

5.30 In the Footsteps of Bonnie Prince Charlie. Jimmie Macgregor reaches Benbecula (r). (Ceefax)

6.00 Film: *Gigi* (1958) starring Leslie Caron, Louis Jordan and Maurice Chevalier. Musical tale of a young woman growing up in the Paris of the 1890s. Directed by Vincente Minnelli

7.50 Package of Rhythm with Margaret Phelan and the Cy Coleman Trio (b/w).

8.00 The Friday Report: Sung From the Heart. Can gospel music and big business mix? (see Variations for other regions' programmes).

8.30 Gardeners' World includes advice on growing vines.

9.00 Film: Gambit (1986) starring Despina Pajanou. The second and final part of the German-made nuclear thriller. Directed by Peter Bringmann. English subtitles

10.50 Newsnight includes an interview with Dr David Owen. 11.35 Weather

11.40 Film: L'Amour à mort (1984) starring Sabine Azema and Pierre Arditi. A man is pronounced clinically dead but recovers and becomes obsessed with his experience of death. Directed by Alain Resnais. Ends 1.15am.

CHANNEL 4

12.00 Woman in View. A repeat of Wednesday's programme which featured the second and final report on how the Afghanistan conflict is affecting the female population in the country

12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service presented by Damian Green.

1.00 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series. The guests are the Four Tops

2.00 Guitarra! Julian Bream with the seventh of eight programmes tracing the evolution of the classical Spanish guitar (r).

2.30 Channel 4 Racing from Ayr. Brough Scott introduces coverage of the 2.35, 3.05, 3.40 (Ladbroke's (Ayr) Gold Cup) and 4.10 races. The race commentator is Graham Goode.

4.30 Fifteen-to-One. General knowledge quiz game.

5.00 Scarecrow and Mrs King. The US government agents help capture a crime syndicate.

6.00 The Chart Show

7.00 Channel 4 News with Trevor McDonald and Nik Gowing. Weather

7.55 Book Choice. George Walden reviews David Lodge's comedy about university life, *Nice Work*. (Oracle)

8.00 Masterworks. An appreciation of Andrew Wyeth's "Christina's World", which hangs in New York's Museum of Modern Art.

8.15 Right Talk. Stewardship and the environment is this week's subject for discussion

9.00 The Golden Girls. Award-winning comedy about three middle-aged women living in the same Florida house. (Oracle)

9.30 Village Show. In this first of a new series Ursula Buchan visits Aberystwyth Show. (Oracle)

10.00 Rude Health. Comedy series set in a Home Counties health clinic. Starring John Wells. Last in the series (r).

10.30 The Last Resort. Jonathan Ross's guests for this first of a new series are Phil Collins, Quentin Crisp and American beautician Riquette

11.15 Olympics 1988. Live coverage of the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games in Seoul. Ends at 8.00am.

BBC1 WALES: 6.35pm-7.00 Wales Today 12.50am-12.55 News and weather SCOTLAND: 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting London NORTHERN IRELAND: 5.35pm Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35 Neighbours 6.59-7.00 Inside Ulster Update ENGLAND: 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines

BBC2 WALES: 8.00pm Sheepdog Trials 8.30-9.00 Gardening Together SCOTLAND: 9.30am-12.30pm Conference 88 8.00-8.30 Left, Right and Centre Conference Report NORTHERN IRELAND: 8.00pm-8.30 The Lady Elizabeth ENGLAND: 8.00pm-8.30 East: The Killing Fields; Midlands: Inside Story; North: On a Personal Note; North-east: Northwards; North-west: Northern Spirit; South: The Viyella Cup; South-west: Under South Coast Seas; West: The Seaside Trains -

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20pm Anglia News and Weather 1.30 The Kashmir Story 2.00 Who's The Boss 2.30-3.00 Gardens For All 6.00-7.00 About Anglia 10.35 Anglia Live at 10.35 11.35 Film: The Betsy 2.00am-4.00 Night Network 4.00-6.00 Baseball '88

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm Border News 1.30 Film: Funeral in Berlin 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors 6.00 Lookaround Friday 6.30-7.00 Take The High Road 10.35 Conference Report 11.05 Kojak 12.00am Film: The House on Greenapple Road 2.00 Night Network 4.00-5.00 Route 66

CENTRAL As London except: 12.30pm Home Cookery Club 12.35-1.00 The Young Doctors 1.20 Central News 1.30 Gardening Time 2.00-3.00 A Country Practice 6.00-7.00 Central News 10.35 Central Weekend 12.05am Film: The Black Windmill 2.05 Kojak 3.05 Live 'N' Loud 4.10-5.00 Dimension 2000

CHANNEL As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 An Invitation to Remember (Robert Morley) 1.20 Channel News 1.30-3.00 Film: Girls At Sea 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors 6.00 Channel Report followed by Weekend Diary 6.30-7.00 Take Time Out 10.35 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero 11.35 Alfred Hitchcock Presents 12.00am P.O.V. 1.00 U.F.O. 2.00 Night Network 4.00 Company 4.05-5.00 Facing South

GRAMPIAN As London except: 1.20pm Grampian News 1.30 Film: That Woman Opposite 3.00-3.25 Gardening Time 6.00-7.00 North Tonight 10.35 Conference Report - Scottish Nationalist Party 1988 11.05 Magnum 12.00 Film: The House on Greenapple Road 2.00am Night Network 4.00-5.00 Route 66

VARIATIONS

GRANADA As London except: 1.20pm Granada Reports 1.30 Granada Reports: The Week in View 2.00-2.55 Charlie's Angels 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors 6.00 Granada Reports 6.30-7.00 North West Connections 10.35 Who's The Boss? 11.05 Legwork 12.00 Film: The House on Greenapple Road 2.00 Night Network 4.00-5.00 Route 66

HTV WEST As London except: 1.20pm HTV News 1.30-3.00 Film: Bandits of the Rio Grande 6.00 HTV News 6.45-7.00 Your Say 10.35 Exmoor Village 11.05 Bless This House 11.35 Kojak 12.30am Film: Eight O'Clock Walk 2.00 Night Network 4.00 California Highway 4.30-5.00 Jobfinder

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00-7.00pm Wales At Six 10.35-11.35 Swansea Festival

SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20pm Scottish News 1.30-3.25 Film: Going In Style 6.00 Scotland Today 6.30-7.00 Take The High Road 10.35 Conference Report 11.05 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 11.35 WKRP in Cincinnati 12.00 Film: The House on Greenapple Road 2.00 Night Network 4.00-5.00 Route 66

TSW As London except: 1.20pm Today News and Weather 1.30-3.00 Film: Crooks Anonymous 3.30 The Young Doctors 5.15-5.45 Connections 6.00 Today 6.30-7.00 TSW Telethon '88 10.35 Married...With Children 11.05 Legwork 12.30am Film: The House on Greenapple Road 2.00 Night Network 4.00-5.00 Route 66

TVS As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 An Invitation To Remember (Robert Morley) 1.20 TVS News and Weather 1.30-3.00 Film: Girls At Sea 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors 6.00 Coast To Coast 6.30-7.00 Take Time Out 10.35 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero 11.35 Alfred Hitchcock Presents 12.00am P.O.V. 1.00 U.F.O. 2.00 Night Network 4.00 Company 4.05 Facing South 4.35-5.00 Jack Thompson Down Under

TYNE TEES As London except: 1.20pm Regional News 1.25 Lookaround 1.30-3.00 Film: The Perfect Woman 6.00-7.00 Northern Life 10.35 Festival 11.35 The Duck Factory 12.00 Film: The House on Greenapple Road 2.00 Night Network 4.00-5.00 Route 66

ULSTER As London except: 1.20pm Ulster Newstime 1.30 Portrait of a Legend 2.00-3.00 Charlie's Angels 6.00 Six Tonight 6.30-7.00 Sportsbeat 10.35 Witness 10.40 Sledgehammer 11.05 "V" 12.00 Ulster Newstime, Close

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The Young Doctors 1.20 Calendar News 1.30 Jimmy's 2.40-3.00 Bon Bini Welcome 6.00 Calendar 6.30-7.00 Living It Up 10.35 Film: The Girl, The Gold Watch and Everything 12.15am Wallenberg: The Lost Hero 2.00 Night Network 4.00-5.00 Night Heat

S4C Starts: 10.25 Film: Follow Me 12.10 Pobol Y Cwm 12.30 Newyddion 12.35 5 Lon Goch 12.45 Sesame Street 1.45 Countdown 2.30 Racing from Ayr 4.30 Mork and Mindy 5.00 Lost In Space 6.00 Newyddion 6.15 Wynff A Plwmsan 6.40 Pobol Y Cwm 7.00 Amser Chwarae 7.30 Rosalind A Myrddin 8.00 Camera'r Cymro 8.30 Newyddion 9.00 Wakulla 10.00 The Golden Girls 10.30 The Last Resort 11.15-8.30am Olympics 1988

RTE 1 Starts: 4.05pm News Headlines and Weather followed by Bosco 4.35 Wonderstruck 5.05 Cockleshell Bay 5.15 Heidi 5.45 News 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 Newstime 6.30 Cartoon Time 6.35 See Hunt 6.55 Giz A Job 8.00 Matlock 9.00 News 9.20 The Late Late Show 11.30 Billy Joel in London 12.35am Late News 12.40 Close

A dignified decathlete

Daley Thompson, the popular world champion sportsman who admits that athletics comes first in his life, is profiled on the eve of his bid for an historic Olympic hat-trick (ITV, 7.00pm)

TELEVISION CHOICE

● Daley (ITV, 7.00pm) is the most intimate look yet offered on television into the life and career of Daley Thompson. For the first time cameras were allowed to film his training sessions and into his home to capture the family man with his wife and daughter. This is not a full profile: there is nothing on his formative years and even his Olympic and other triumphs are only mentioned in passing. Rather, it is "a year in the life of" but since that year included his sensational failure at the World Championships, as well as his marriage and the dangerously premature birth of his child, there was much to cover. Thompson has always come across as one of the most likeable of modern sportsmen and the film does nothing to contradict this. When he lost his world decathlon title last year, he did so with dignity, humour and no excuses. The film offers no excuses, either, though it follows in detail the thigh injury which almost certainly reduced his performance and records the agony of completing the final 1,500 metres when neither mind nor body were up to it. Most men, interviewed with their wife and child, say that the family always comes first. Daley says frankly that athletics comes first, but during his three months' training stint in Los Angeles he phones home every day. Is he going to win in Seoul? "Why not?" he replies,"I can't see anyone out there who's better than me – but then I never do."

● Heralded with dreamy music, soft-focus photography and an idyllic rural setting, Angela Huth's *Sun Child* (ITV, 8.10pm) homes in on the blissful married life of Robert (James Fox) and Fen (Twiggy) with their precocious little daughter Emily. Sounding more *EastEnders* than home counties, Twiggy looks gorgeous but has trouble with some of the dialogue. But when Dad has to go off on business she has no trouble hooking a dark and handsome actor. So much for the perfect marriage. At least, you think, she might have been discreet about it, if only to save the feelings of little Emily. But not a bit of it. When lover boy comes to stay, Emily asks Mum where she is going to sleep. "On the sofa," she lies. Cut to a shot of an empty sofa and a distraught child. Dad returns and has his revenge by forcing the family to spend Christmas with his mother (Evelyn Laye), who sounds as if she has been at the gin bottle. *Sun Child* is billed as a "heart rending story". I found it difficult to choke back the tears – of laughter.

Peter Waymark

New man in Ambridge

RADIO CHOICE

Ambridge old-timer: the late Chriss Gittins (R4, 7.05pm)

● You can't have failed to notice that **The Archers** (Radio 4, 7.05pm) is going through one of its good patches. It is quite fortuitous, however, that this coincides with the arrival of a new editor, Adrian Mourby, who has been doing some exciting things with radio drama down in the BBC's Cardiff studios. Mourby has not been with *The Archers* long enough for him to make any quantifiable impact, but if his Cardiff experience is anything to go by, the six months he will spend shaping the Ambridge saga will improve what is still only fair-to-middling in the series and probably make even better what is already very good. I met Mourby the day before he was due to chair his first *Archers* script conference, and was agreeably surprised to learn that he is not a sealed-lips man. Among the cats he let out of the bag are some dates which, if you are an *Archers* fan, you will want to enter in your diary. It is during the week of October 31-November 4 that it will become clear that dear old Walter Gabriel is not long for this world (Chriss Gittins, who played Walter, died not long ago). Expect to hear farming student Ruth Pritchard make a proposal of an intimate nature to David Archer on, or shortly after, September 23. And prepare for the arrival of the Aldridge baby (its sex is still being kept secret) on September 29, and for the visit to Borsetshire of what Mourby calls a "mega-star" (also secret) on October 7. Mourby plans no shocks during his six months among the Ambridge folk, but he says he wants to explore relationships at a deeper level. Characters marked out for this special treatment include Susan and Neil Carter. The advent of their disfigured baby son, Christopher, and its traumatic effect on the Carters, has shown once again that, given a credible situation, *The Archers* can produce writing and acting of a standard equal to anything currently to be heard on BBC radio.

Peter Davalle

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5.30 Mark Goodier 7.00 Simon Mayo 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30 Newsbeat (Simon Leach) 12.45 Roger Scott 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat 5.45 Singled Out 7.00 Jeff Young's Dance Music Show 10.00-12.00 The Friday Rock Show with Tommy Vance.

Radio 2

VHF Stereo (except 10.00pm-12.00 midnight) and MW (medium wave)

News on the hour (except 8.00pm)

4.00 Bill Rennells 5.30 Chris Stuart 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30 Sarah Kennedy 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05 David Jacobs 2.05 Gloria Hunniford 3.30 Vince Hill 5.05 Chris Serle 7.00 Teddy Johnson's 78 Show 7.30 Friday Night Is Music Night 8.45 Simon McCheane at the piano 9.00 Nigel Ogden 10.00 The Golden Years (Alan Keith) 10.30 The Press Gang 11.00 Alan Titchmarsh 1.00 Alan Dedicoat presents Nightride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST. 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Meridian 7.00 World News 7.09 24 Hours 7.30 Write On ...7.45 Seven Seas 8.00 World News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Without Strings 8.30 Music Now 9.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News followed by Sports Roundup 9.45 The Third Policeman 10.00 News Summary 10.01 Just Plain Madness 10.15 Seven Seas 10.30 Londres Midi 11.00 World News 11.09 News about Britain 11.15 Talking from .. 11.30 Meridian 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Europe's World 12.30 Business Matters 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 World News 1.009 24 Hours 1.30 John Peel 2.00 Outlook, opening with World News 2.45 Nature Notebook 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 From Raj to Rajiv 4.00 World News 4.09 News about Britain 4.15 English by Radio 4.45 Londres Soir 5.30 Heute Aktuell 5.00 Programmes in German 7.00 Outlook, opening with News Summary 7.39 Stock Market Report 7.45 Personal View 8.00 World News 8.09 24 Hours 8.30 Science in Action 9.00 News Summary 9.01 Network UK 9.15 Europe's World 9.30 Business Matters 9.45 Where Angels Fear to Tread 10.00 World News 10.09 The World Today 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 World News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 From the Weeklies 11.30 Multitrack 3 12.00 World News 12.09 News about Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Personal View 12.45 Recording of the Week 1.00 News Summary 1.01 Outlook 1.30 Just Plain Madness 1.45 Nature Notebook 2.00 World News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Network UK 2.30 People and Politics. 3.00 World News 3.09 News about Britain 3.15 The World Today 3.30 Six Four Eight News 3.35 Financial News 3.45 Morgenmagazin 4.45 The World Today 5.00 World News and 24 Hours 5.30 Londres Matin

Radio 3

6.55 Weather, News Headlines

7.00 Morning Concert: Wagner (Overture from Tannhäuser: Cleveland Orchestra under George Szell); Sarasate (Carmen Fantasy: New York Philharmonic Orchestra under Zubin Mehta with Itzhak Perlman, violin)

7.30 News

7.35 Morning Concert (contd): Beethoven (Symphony No 1 in C: Columbia Symphony Orchestra under Bruno Walter); Schubert (Seligkeit: Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, soprano, with Jacqueline Bonneau, piano); Dvorak (Four Slavonic Dances, Op 46 Nos 1, 2, 3 and 8: Czech Philharmonic Orchestra under Vaclav Neumann)

8.30 News

8.35 Composers of the Week: Lennox Berkeley. Symphony No 3 Op 74: London Philharmonic Orchestra under the composer; Five Herrick Poems, Op 89: Ian Partridge (tenor) with Francis Kelly (harp); Guitar Concerto Op 88: Monteverdi Orchestra under John Eliot Gardiner with Julian Bream (guitar); The Hill of the Graces, Op 91 No 2: BBC Northern Singers with Stephen Wilkinson

9.35 Orchestral Handel: English Concert directed by Trevor Pinnock (harpsichord) perform *Sinfonia* (Samson Act 1); Overture to Il Pastor Fido (1712) both for orchestra and as arranged for solo harpsichord; and Overture to The Occasional Oratorio (r)

10.25 The Tertis Legacy: Yuri Bashmet (viola) and Michaeil Muntian (piano) give the last of five recitals. Schumann's Märchenbilder, Op 113; Britten's Lachrymae Op 48 (Reflections on a song of Dowland); and Brahms's Sonata in F minor Op 120 No 1

11.25 Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra: Walter Weller conducts Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 5 in E flat (Emperor); and Rachmaninov's Symphony No 1 in D minor. With Stephen Bishop-Kovacevich (piano) (r)

1.00 News

1.05 Chamber Music from Manchester: Coull String Quartet give a live performance of Shostakovich's Quartet No 8 in C minor, Op 110; and Dvorak's Quartet in E flat, Op 51

2.00 Debussy: Laurence Allix performs Debussy's Piano Studies (Book 1)

2.25 Northern Sinfonia: Jorg Faerber conducts Janacek's Suite Op 1 for strings; Zelenka's Concerto in G, for oboe, bassoon, violin, cello and strings; and Haydn's Symphony No 87 in A. With Roger Winfield (oboe), Stephen Reay (bassoon), Iain King (violin) and Jeannette Mountain (cello)

3.30 Mozart and Schubert: Amadeus Trio with Imogen Cooper (piano) and Rodney Slatford (double-bass) perform Mozart's Divertimento in E flat (K 563); and Schubert's Quintet in A (D 667) (Trout) (r)

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: A selection of music presented by Rodney Slatford

6.30 West Coast Jazz: Max Harrison continues his series about the West Coast movement of the early 1950s with an examination of the more experimental endeavours which preceded it, including the work of musicians such as Teddy Charles and Dave Brubeck

7.00 News

7.05 Third Ear Collection: Michael Hall talks with Joan Sutherland and Richard Bonynge (r)

7.30 Proms 88: Live from the Royal Albert Hall, London. London Classical Players under Roger Norrington, with Schütz Choir of London, and featuring Edith Wiens (soprano), Linda Hirst (mezzo-soprano), Patrick Power (tenor) and David Wilson-Johnson (baritone) perform Weber's Overture to Euryanthe; Schubert's incidental music from Rosamunde; and Beethoven's Symphony No 9 in D minor (Choral). Includes 8.00 David Cairns discusses the fascination for generations of musical commentators of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony

9.35 Sweet Fat by Jack Kenny and Peter King. With Elizabeth Bell

10.40 Tact or Trickery? Oscar Shumsky (violin) plays music by Fritz Kreisler

11.00 Composers of the Week: Grieg. Norwegian Folks Songs Op 66; and Norwegian Dances Op 35 (r)

12.00 News

12.05 Wolf 88: Der Glücksritter performed by Hermann Prey (baritone) with Konrad Richter (piano). 12.10 Close.

Radio 4

LW (long wave) (s) Stereo on VHF

5.55 Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day (s)

6.30 Today: Presented by Sue MacGregor and John Humphrys, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News

8.42 The Past Is Myself by Christabel Bielenberg. Read by Ann Morrish (5 out 10) 8.57 Weather; Travel

9.00 News

9.05 Desert Island Discs: Sue Lawley's guest is the pianist Peter Donohue (s) (r)

9.45 Feedback: Chris Dunkley airs viewers' comments about BBC programmes

10.00 News; International Assignment

10.30 Morning Story: A Use for Bunbury by Frank Dunne. Read by Kevin Flood

10.45 Daily Service (s)

11.00 News; Latin Americans: Last of eight portraits. Rubens Barbosa, a diplomat living in Brasilia (s) (r)

11.32 Rebels: Hugh Sykes with the last biography of unconventional people. Albert Camus, philosophical novelist and Nobel Prize winner (r)

12.00 News; You and Yours: John Howard checks out the Countryside Commission

12.25 Radio Fun: The story of radio comedy in 12 parts presented by Russell Davies (8) 12.55 Weather

1.00 The World At One: With Brian Widlake

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast

2.00 News; Woman's Hour: From Newcastle. Presenter Rosemary Harthill talks to comedian Kit Hollerbach; Britain's only woman race judge demonstrates her skills at Pontefract Races; plus a report on how the Russians are treating drug and alcohol addiction in the Soviet Union; a feature on the opulence, mysticisim and significance of gold in India, a country which has 20,000 goldsmiths in its capital alone; and the story of a plankton-trawling boat trip off the Northumberland coast that netted dolphins and jellyfish

3.00 News; Cold Comfort Farm: by Stella Gibbons, adapted in four parts by Elizabeth Proud (2) With Patricia Gallimore (s) (r)

4.00 News

4.05 J Kingston Platt: Last of four revealing reminiscences of a life in showbusiness, written and told by Peter Jones (s)

4.30 Kaleidoscope: Last night's programme (r)

5.00 PM: Presented by Gordon Clough and Frances Coverdale 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather

6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial Report

6.30 Going Places: Clive Jacobs and the team with travel and transport news including a visit to the Southampton Boat Show

7.00 News

7.05 The Archers (see Choice)

7.20 Pick of the Week: Margaret Howard presents a selection of the past week's television and radio programmes (s)

8.20 Any Questions? (new series): Jonathan Dimbleby with guests author Denise Robertson, Professor Patrick Minford, David Blunkett MP and Professor Robert Skidelsky

9.05 Stop Press; Geoffrey Goodman reviews the week's newspapers

9.30 Letter from America by Alistair Cooke

9.45 Kaleidoscope: Mark Steyn visits the newly-opened Museum of the Moving Image in London, an enormous exhibition celebrating the history and future of cinema and television

10.15 A Book At Bedtime: The Return. Last of five stories by H E Bates read by David Neal 10.29 Weather

10.30 The World Tonight: Presented by Richard Kershaw

11.15 The Financial World Tonight: International and national business news

11.30 Little Blighty On The Down: Last of a three-part comedy soap set in a small village deep in the heart of Britain. With Jo Kendall, John Bluthal, Daniel Strauss, Bernadine Corrigan and Nick Hancock (s)

12.00 News 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast

VHF as above except: 11.00am-12.00 For Schools: 11.00 Music Makers 11.40 Junior Dance 1.55-3.00pm For Schools: 1.55 Listening Corner 2.00 Recorder Club 2.20 11-14 Project 5.50-5.55 PM (continued)

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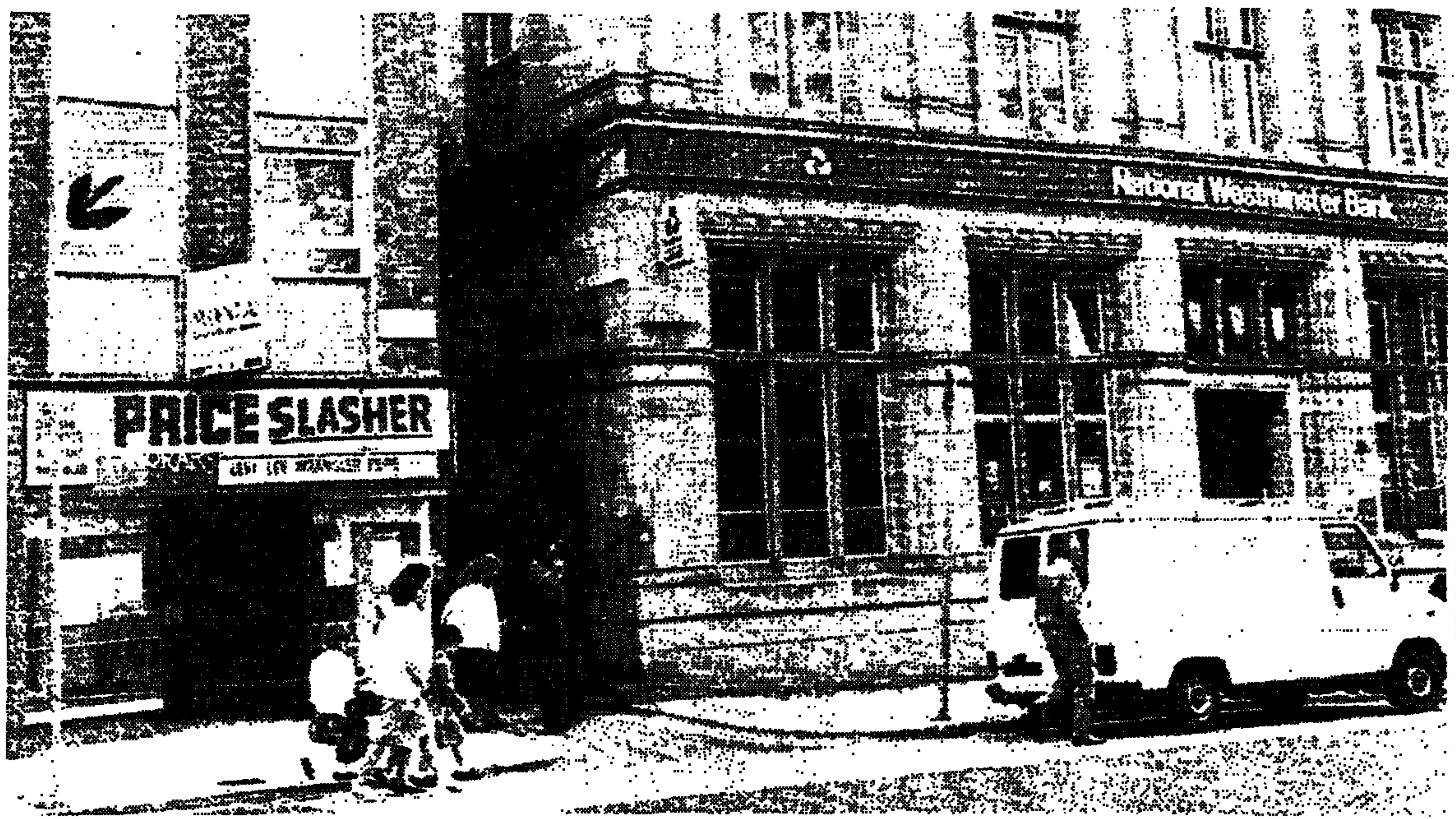
Armed police surround bank raided by masked gunmen



While Mr Roger Ball was taken to his bank (above) by the gang, Mrs Ball broke the window of the room over the empty shop where she was held to alert passers-by and armed police then surrounded the building (above right). The Balls had been held captive in their house at Morecambe overnight (right).

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street. She smashed the glass to attract the attention of passers-by, among them Mrs Lydia Boyle.

"I could see this woman at the window", Mrs Boyle said. "She had her back to it and I could see that her hands were tied. She threw something through the window and it smashed and then she started to shout."

Police were called and the bank was immediately cordoned off with up to 30 armed officers training their weapons on the windows and doors.

A trained police hostage negotiator was brought in, but all attempts to contact the robbers by telephone and loudhailer failed. Unknown to the police, the gang had already fled.

Finally, at about noon, an assault team broke into the bank through a rear door and found the staff, shocked but unharmed, in the vault.

Throughout yesterday police interviewed Mr Ball, his family and the 61 staff members to try to build up a detailed picture of the robbers.

However, the gang members were never seen without their masks and apparently spoke little.

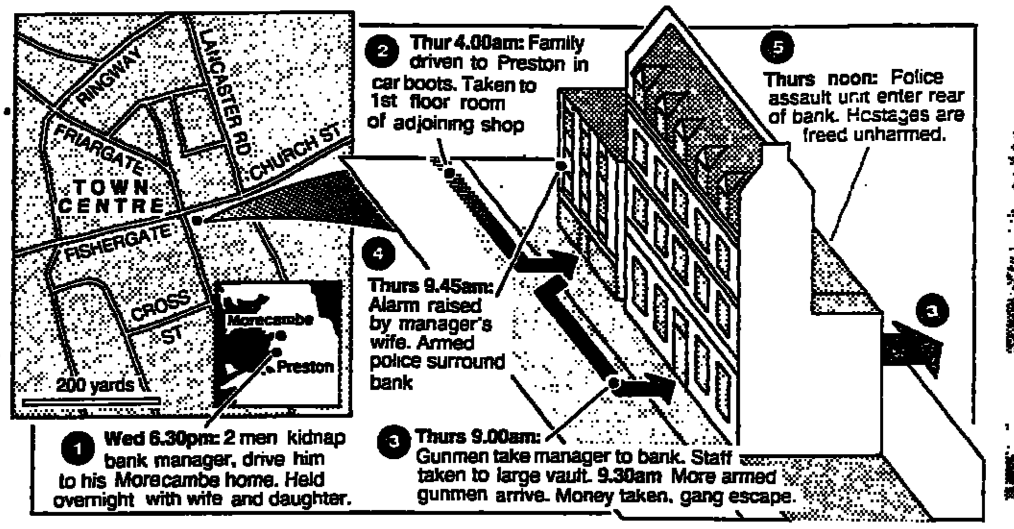
Mr Ball was appointed manager of the branch earlier this year, and has been with National Westminster since 1960.

The bank offered a "substantial" reward yesterday for information leading to the arrest of the robbers.

Mr Colin Williams, a spokesman for the National Westminster, said: "We are very relieved that in this case our staff, Mr Ball and his family have come through this terrible ordeal apparently unharmed."

Asked about security advice given to bank staff about avoiding the risk of kidnap as part of a robbery, he said: "We have a security system and obviously staff are trained, but we don't go public on what we do for obvious reasons.

"Our number one priority in these matters is that human lives come first."



① Wed 6.30pm: 2 men kidnap bank manager, drive him to his Morecambe home. Held overnight with wife and daughter.

② Thur 4.00am: Family driven to Preston in car boots. Taken to 1st floor room of adjoining shop

③ Thurs 9.00am: Gunmen take manager to bank. Staff taken to large vault. 9.30am More armed gunmen arrive. Money taken, gang escape.

④ Thurs 9.45am: Alarm raised by manager's wife. Armed police surround bank

⑤ Thurs noon: Police assault unit enter rear of bank. Hostages are freed unharmed.

SAS team denies made up evidence

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chuckle, almost a sneer from Mr McGrory.

The lawyer also suggested that it was more than coincidence that the four soldiers who had fired their weapons at the IRA team had insisted that the terrorists were making movements to indicate they were about to detonate a remote control bomb.

Mr McGrory asked Soldier D: "Has somebody told you and rehearsed you again and again and again to say that?" The SAS man replied: "I am saying that because that was the threat, that was going through my mind at the time."

Mr McGrory also asked the soldier several times if they had shot Savage through the head while he lay on the ground and even put their feet on his chest as the final bullet struck home.

"It would have been sheer murder if that happened", Mr McGrory said. "That is not the fact that happened on the day", Soldier D replied.

"Did you totally lose control of yourself that day?" Mr McGrory asked.

"I certainly did not".

Mr McGrory asked Soldier C: "Have you heard the expression overkill?"

"It was not an overkill," replied Soldier C.

After the soldiers had completed their evidence, the inquest heard from members of the security services involved in the surveillance operation in Gibraltar last March, including their leader, referred to as Mr M.

He said that he had seen the shootings of Farrell, the leader of the IRA gang, and confirmed the evidence of the two soldiers who shot her that she did not have her hands in the air as if to surrender.

Mr M said however that he was "disappointed" that special arrangements were not made on the frontier to check cars arriving from Spain on the day of the shootings as that might have helped identify Savage, who drove in undetected in a white Renault

US battens down as Gilbert sweeps on

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smashed and air conditioners were ripped off the walls. Light aircraft were destroyed on the runway at Montego Bay, a favourite holiday resort, and a DC3 airliner was blown 3,000 feet by winds gusting up to 200mph.

One returning tourist said houses and crops were flattened, boats in the harbour were sunk and shanties wrecked.

The hurricane brought a nightmare ending to their honeymoon for Mr Simon Kershaw and his wife of seven days, Jane. They were playing dominoes outside their holiday hotel on Monday evening when the violent winds tore off the roof.

"It was very frightening. Everything went black and you could only see about 300 yards", Simon, a sales manager from Bradford, said.

With the threat of a breakdown in law and order, a curfew has been imposed on some parts of the capital, Kingston, and three looters have been shot by the security forces.

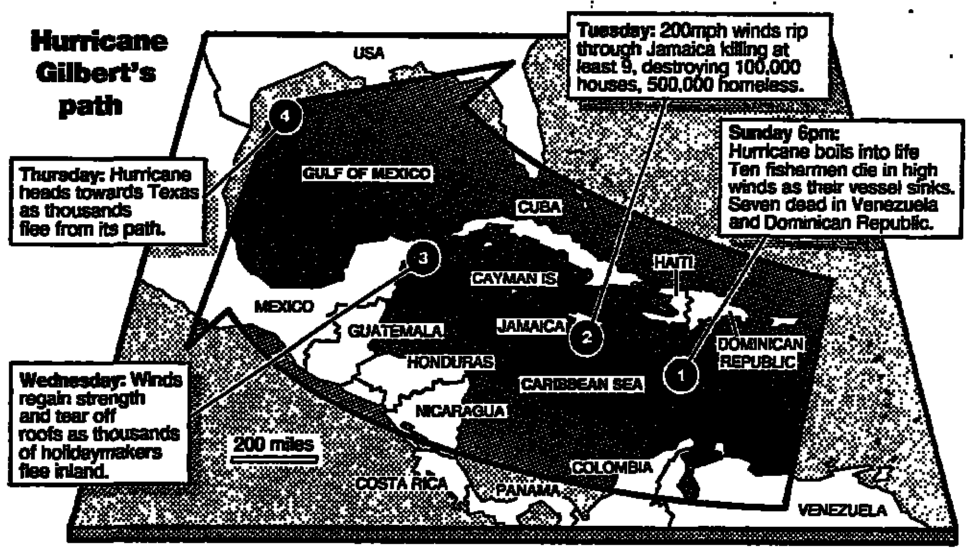
The Jamaican High Commission in London said that the situation was "extremely serious" with so many thousands without water or shelter, food scarce and many roads blocked.

Britain has already announced £550,000 worth of aid for Jamaica, including £50,000 in urgent medical supplies and tinned food provided by the High Commission in the island.

The Red Cross appealed yesterday for more than £2 million to help in feeding the victims and the St John Ambulance, which has sent an ambulance, is appealing for cash to help its efforts.

Only two Category 5 hurricanes have hit the United States since records were first kept. The designation refers to storms with winds of more than 155mph and waves surging to 18ft above normal levels.

The first was the 1935 storm that killed 408 people in Florida and the second was Hurricane Camille which tore through the Mississippi coastal area killing 256 people in 1969. No storm of that magnitude has ever hit an urban area.



Hurricane Gilbert's path

Sunday 6pm: Hurricane boils into life Ten fishermen die in high winds as their vessel sinks. Seven dead in Venezuela and Dominican Republic.

Tuesday: 200mph winds rip through Jamaica killing at least 9, destroying 100,000 houses, 500,000 homeless.

Wednesday: Winds regain strength and tear off roofs as thousands of holidaymakers flee inland.

Thursday: Hurricane heads towards Texas as thousands flee from its path.

Most postmen are clearing backlog

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tion Workers executive, Mr Alan Tuffin, its general secretary, was confident that his union would make the national agreement stick but said that talk of imposing settlements in areas still on strike "would be a recipe for chaos".

Striking workers and Post Office management in Glasgow yesterday agreed a peace formula and last night, the task of clearing the city's mountain of undelivered mail had begun.

The local postmaster, Mr Bob McCall, said peace was achieved after a "re-reading" of the national agreement.

Glasgow was the last main office in Scotland to settle; unions insisted three hours overtime were needed to clear the backlog, while the management said only two hours were needed, plus the use of casual labour.

The leaders of striking postmen in Liverpool were still negotiating with management last night. Mr Billy Hayes, UCW branch secretary, said his men would stay out until they are certain no temporary staff will be used.

Talks in Hull broke down again yesterday. The union refuses to accept the one-delivery-a-day method of clearing the backlog.

They want two deliveries despite the intervention of a member of their national executive in the discussions.

Hull's head postmaster, Mr John Riley, said "We have offerred a solution which is in keeping with the national agreement."

By last night, there were 69 sorting offices across the country back at work out of a total of 82. Those back at work included:

Aberdeen, Birmingham, Central London, Carlisle, Darlington, Edinburgh, Ipswich, Newcastle, Nottingham, Oxford, Portsmouth, Reading, Sheffield, Swansea, Watford, Swindon, Glasgow.

Offices still out:

Bolton, Cardiff, Coventry, Crewe, Croydon, Hull, Liverpool, Manchester, Newport, Southend, York.

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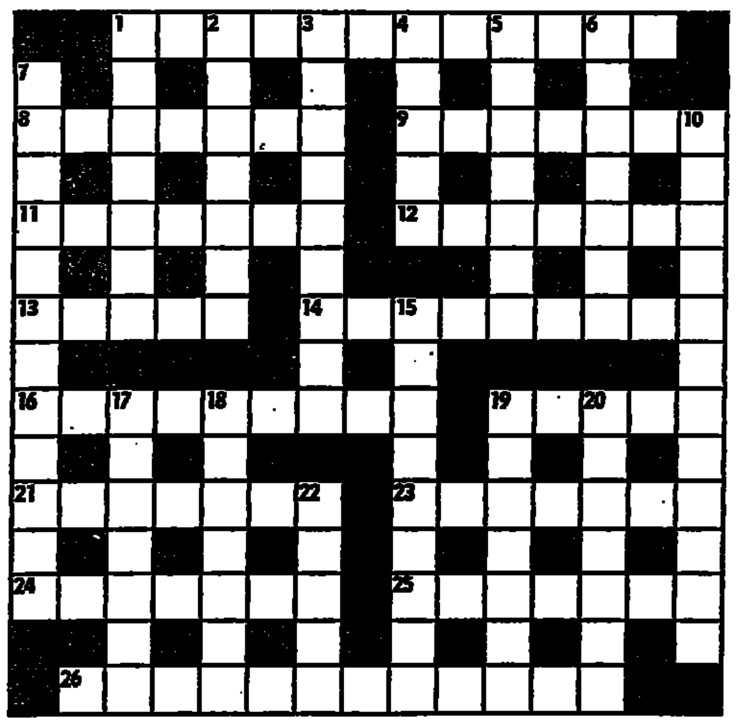

ACROSS

- 1 Student given job — to put things in order around University (4-8).
- 8 Hold forth about gymnastics training to produce an effect (7).
- 9 Acquire too many weapons in such a delivery? (7).
- 11 Boy nursing restless desire for drums (7).
- 12 Tailless red bird has become wild (7).
- 13 7 hit high return round the leg side (5).
- 14 Swing seen as harmful in East Coast resort (9).
- 16 Chants may need revision for Chichester, say (9).
- 19 Scolding woman, endlessly cunning (5).
- 21 Concerning public relations work in Laos? Not the capital (7).
- 23 Mollusc discovered by Jack without assistance (7).
- 24 Amount gained, it's said, by a certain person (7).
- 25 Like a blue or white flower (7).
- 26 Bloomer about the army being detailed to shift this weapon (5-7).

DOWN

- 1 To which southerners may travel very quickly north (7).
- 2 Beauties have no right to cause accidents (7).
- 3 Bolt-hole for inexperienced Othello when upset (5-4).
- 4 The affair of a second Chaldean city (5).
- 5 Of varying quality, unlike Orwell's farm animals (7).
- 6 Air passage for ambassador trapped when a vehicle overturns (7).
- 7 Collections of notes hidden in Nero's day, misplaced for ages (7,5).
- 10 Mimic girl at sea, initially cack-handed with this tool (6-6).
- 15 Study French writer on river vessel (9).
- 17 Colour of animal carrying sun god (7).
- 18 Opportunity to support strike in the bar (7).
- 19 Bird, or butterfly without tail (7).
- 20 Duty list for keeper of duck and cockerel (7).
- 22 Downfall of a general, in a way? (5).

Concise crossword, page 20

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

CENAL
a. To do with lunch
b. Pertaining to drains
c. The north side of the choir

GAMBRINOUS
a. Having gables
b. Knock-kneed
c. Full of beer

TATER
a. A gleaner of roots
b. A home run
c. A fish-and-chip shop

SELENIAN
a. A type of ammonite
b. An Arian heretic
c. Moony

Answers on page 20, column 1

Solution to Puzzle No 17,775

L	O	C	U	S	T		I	S	T	A	N	B	U	L
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WEATHER

Most of Britain will be dry although cool in a north-western wind. Cloud amounts will be variable, with most areas seeing the sun at some time during the day. Places with high ground to the north, such as much of south-west England, could have prolonged sunshine. North-west Scotland will have occasional rain or drizzle. Outlook: dry and a little warmer with sunny spells and light winds.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	23	73	s	Majorca	17	63	f
Akrotiri	27	81	s	Malaga	24	75	f
Alex'dria	27	81	f	Malta	26	79	f
Algiers	23	73	s	Melb'rne	15	59	s
Amst'dm	17	63	f	Mexico C*	19	66	f
Athens	26	79	s	Miami*	31	88	f
Bahrain	35	95	s	Moscow	12	54	c
Barbads*	23	73	r	Naples	21	70	f
Barcelna	21	70	s	N Delhi	35	95	s
Bermuda*	30	86	f	N York*	23	73	s
Biarritz	15	59	c	Nice	22	72	s
Borde'x	17	63	f	Oslo	17	63	f
B Aires*	13	55	f	Paris	15	59	c
Cairo	31	88	s	Reykjvik	9	48	c
Cape Tn	15	59	c	Rhodes	26	79	s
C'blanca	24	75	s	Rio de J	20	68	r
Chicago*	26	79	s	Riyadh	41	106	s
Ch'church	19	66	s	Rome	22	72	s
Corfu	26	79	f	Salzburg	10	50	r
Dublin	11	52	c	S F'rsco*	17	63	s
Dubrovnik	18	64	t	Santiago*	20	68	s
Faro	26	79	s	S Paulo*	18	64	c
Florence	16	61	c	Seoul	25	77	f
Funchal	22	72	c	Sing'por	31	88	f
Geneva	13	55	f	St'kholm	17	63	s
Gibraltar	24	75	s	Strasb'rg	14	57	c
Helsinki	13	55	r	Sydney	16	61	c
Hong K	30	86	f	Tangier	25	77	f
Innsbrck	9	48	c	Tel aviv	28	82	s
Istanbul	27	81	s	Tenerife	25	77	s
Jeddah	37	99	s	Tokyo	23	73	r
Jo'burg*	17	63	f	Toronto*	22	72	s
Karachi	32	90	s	Tunis	26	79	f
L Palmas	25	77	s	Valencia	22	72	s
Le Tquet	13	55	c	Vanc'ver*	21	70	s
Lisbon	23	73	s	Venice	13	55	r
Locarno	16	61	c	Vienna	16	61	c
L Angels*	19	66	c	Warsaw	17	63	f
Luxembg	13	55	c	Wash'ton*	25	77	s
Luxor	39	102	s	Wel'nton	14	57	s
Madrid	18	64	f	Zurich	11	52	c

* denotes Wednesday's figures are latest

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	2.6	.05	14	57	cloudy
Hunstanton	0.5	-	13	55	cloudy
Cromer	0.6	.01	14	57	cloudy
Lowestoft	2.2	-	16	61	cloudy
Southend	4.1	-	16	61	cloudy
Margate	2.4	-	16	61	dull
Hastings	7.8	.09	16	61	sunny
Eastbourne	6.5	.06	17	63	bright
Brighton	7.7	-	16	61	sunny
Worthing	8.7	-	16	61	sunny
Littlehmptn	7.9	-	16	61	sunny
Bognor R	2.2	-	15	59	cloudy
Sandown	0.3	-	14	57	cloudy
Bournemth	0.2	-	15	59	cloudy
Weymouth	5.1	-	17	63	bright
Exmouth	8.7	-	16	61	sunny
Torquay	9.1	-	17	63	sunny
Falmouth	8.8	.01	16	61	sunny
Penzance	10.8	-	17	63	sunny
Scilly Isles	10.4	-	18	64	sunny
Newquay	8.7	-	18	64	sunny
Ilfracombe	*	-	*	*	sunny
Morecambe	4.5	-	13	55	bright
Douglas	3.2	-	13	55	bright
Buxton	3.6	-	11	52	sunny
Carlisle	1.1	-	13	55	cloudy
Leeds	1.0	-	13	55	cloudy
Nottingham	0.3	-	12	54	cloudy
Anglesey	6.4	-	15	59	sunny
Colwyn Bay	4.2	-	13	55	bright
Tenby	4.5	.03	15	59	cloudy
Aberdeen	1.0	.02	13	55	shower
Aviemore	3.5	-	12	54	bright
Eskdalemuir	4.1	-	11	52	bright
Kinloss	1.2	-	14	57	bright
Lerwick	1.0	-	12	54	bright
Prestwick	10.8	-	14	57	sunny
Tiree	0.9	-	12	54	cloudy
Wick	2.6	-	14	57	bright

* Denotes figures not available
These are Wednesday's figures

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	5.23	6.8	5.33	6.7
Aberdeen	4.32	4.0	5.02	3.8
Avonmouth	10.39	11.8	10.50	11.7
Belfast	2.28	3.2	2.44	3.0
Cardiff	10.24	11.0	10.35	10.9
Devonport	8.52	5.0	8.57	4.9
Dover	2.07	6.1	2.16	6.3
Falmouth	8.22	4.8	8.27	4.7
Glasgow	4.04	4.5	4.32	4.3
Harwich	3.18	3.8	3.27	3.9
Holyhead	1.34	5.2	1.55	5.1
Hull	9.47	6.9	10.07	6.7
Ilfracombe	9.23	8.4	9.34	8.2
Leith	6.03	5.1	6.27	4.9
Liverpool	2.27	8.8	2.45	8.6
Lowestoft	12.57	2.2	1.00	2.4
Margate	3.20	4.5	3.27	4.6
Milford Haven	9.39	6.3	9.53	6.3
Newquay	8.31	6.4	8.45	6.3
Oban	9.04	3.6	9.08	3.6
Penzance	7.54	5.1	8.00	4.9
Portland	10.21	1.9	10.29	1.8
Portsmouth	2.52	4.3	3.12	4.3
Shoreham	2.20	5.7	2.36	5.7
Southampton	2.06	4.2	2.27	4.3
Swansea	9.42	8.6	9.56	8.7
Tees	7.03	5.1	7.24	4.9
W'ton-on-Nze	3.11	4.1	3.20	4.1

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.
Times are BST

THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.19	2.07
Austria Sch	23.00	21.80
Belgium Fr	69.30	65.80
Canada $	2.13	2.02
Denmark Kr	12.50	11.80
Finland Mkk	7.77	7.37
France Fr	11.08	10.53
Germany Dm	3.26	3.10
Greece Dr	261.00	247.00
Hong Kong $	13.60	12.85
Ireland Pt	1.215	1.155
Italy Lira	2440.00	2310.00
Japan Yen	237.00	224.00
Netherlands Gld	3.685	3.495
Norway Kr	12.03	11.43
Portugal Esc	268.50	254.50
South Africa Rd	4.55	4.05
Spain Pta	217.50	206.54
Sweden Kr	11.31	10.71
Switzerland Fr	2.75	2.61
USA $	1.755	1.665
Yugoslavia Dnr	5700.00	4700.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

Retail Price Index: 106.7 (July)

London: The *FT* Index closed up 5.5 at 1422.

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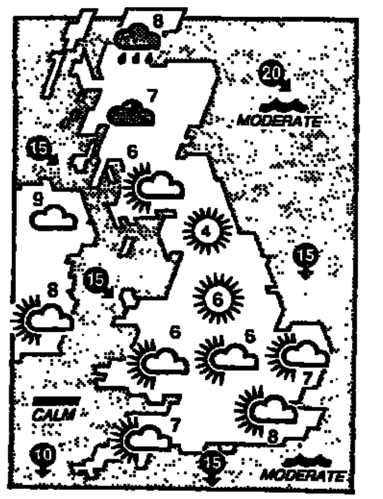

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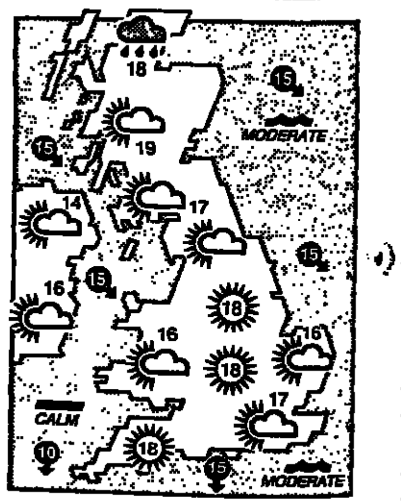

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 16C (61F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 10C (50F). Humidity: 6 pm, 67 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, trace. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.8hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1031.2 millibars, steady. 1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 15C (59F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 7C (45F). Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 6.2hr.

TOWER BRIDGE

Tower Bridge will be lifted at the following times today: 12.45pm, 2pm, 3.30pm, 4.30pm.

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 7.43 pm to 6.09 am
Bristol 7.52 pm to 6.19 am
Edinburgh 7.57 pm to 6.19 am
Manchester 7.52 pm to 6.16 am
Penzance 8.03 pm to 6.31 am

Sun rises: 6.37 am
Sun sets: 7.13 pm
Moon rises 12.43 pm
Moon sets 8.29 pm

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HIGHEST & LOWEST

Wednesday: Highest day temp: Isles of Scilly, 18C (64F); lowest day max: Eskdalemuir, Dumfries and Galloway, 11C (52F); highest rainfall: Bridlington, Humberside, and Marham, Norfolk, 0.12in; highest sunshine: Plymouth Devon, 11hr.

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	12	54	c	Guernsey	14	57	f
B'rmgham	14	57	f	Inverness	15	59	s
Blackpool	13	55	c	Jersey	17	63	s
Bristol	13	55	c	London	15	59	f
Cardiff	15	59	s	M'nchster	15	59	f
Edinburgh	16	61	s	Newcastle	14	57	s
Glasgow	15	59	s	R'nldsway	12	54	c

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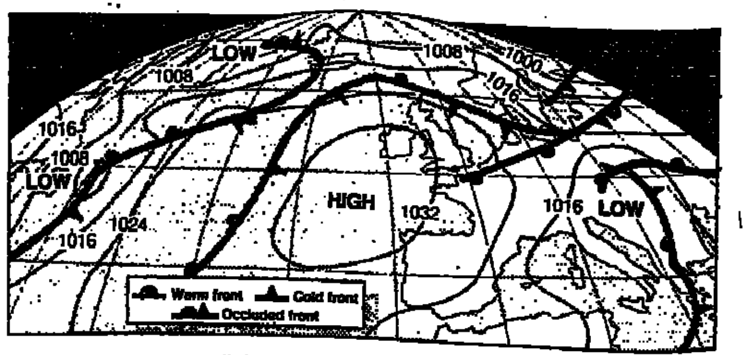

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MARKETS	THE POUND
FT 30 Share 1422.0 (+5.5)	US dollar 1.6785 (+0.0020)
FT-SE 100 1769.3 (+4.2)	W German mark 3.1480 (+0.0012)
USM (Datastream) 159.78 (+0.46)	Trade-weighted 75.4 (same)

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Executive Editor
David Brewerton

W German firm buys Lansing

Linde, the West German engineering group, has reached a binding agreement to buy Britain's leading fork-lift truck maker, Lansing Bagnall, from Sir Emmanual Kaye's Kaye *Organisation* for an undisclosed sum.

The deal, subject to approval from British and West German anti-cartel authorities, should be completed by the end of this year.

The publicly-quoted Linde, one of world leaders in industrial trucks, will thereby *acquire one* of its most important European competitors. Lansing, with plants in Britain, France and West Germany had an annual turnover of £235 million last year.

The sale of the privately-owned Lansing, which employs 5,100 workers, includes the main operating plant at Basingstoke, a manufacturing plant at Blackwood in Wales, Continental plants and marketing companies.

Thorntons' lift

Thorntons, the chocolate company, which came to the market in May, reported a 22 per cent increase in pre-tax *profits to £7.54 million* for the year to May 28. Turnover was up 13 per cent to £46.27 million. Earnings per share went up 29.6 per cent to 8.67p.

Oil down

Spot oil prices fell 60 cents a barrel to $13.75, after reports that Iraq would not cut its oil output.

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	2099.75 (–0.89)*
Tokyo	
Nikkei Average	Closed
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	2474.08 (–7.49)
Amsterdam: Gen	270.2 (+2.0)
Sydney: AO	1568.1 (+18.7)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1539.4 (+4.2)
Brussels:	
General	5068.3 (+32.7)
Paris: CAC	359.2 (same)
Zurich: SKA Gen	467.4 (+1.4)
London:	
FT.–A All-Share	916.63 (+2.17)
FT.– "500"	1001.80 (+3.19)
FT. Gold Mines	176.4 (–0.2)
FT. Fixed interest	95.63 (+0.14)
FT. Govt Secs	86.81 (–0.09)
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MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
Morland	645p (+17p)
Whitbread 'B'	630p (+50p)
Kleinwort Benson	347½p (+10p)
Standard Chart	516½p (+15p)
Cadbury-Schwppes	358p (+12½p)
Pleasurama	223½p (+25p)
Bradford	670p (+10p)
Estates & Agency	265p (+10p)
Jermyn	300p (+50p)
McKay Securities	195p (+10p)
Calor Group	375½p (+13p)
Enterprise	669½p (+28p)
Ranger	350½p (+13p)
Ultramar	231½p (+14p)
Int Thomson	670p (+25p)
Assoc Br Ports	509p (+16p)
Attwoods	272½p (+13p)
FALLS:	
London *Intnl*	*198½p (–20½p)*
Land Securities	542½p (–11p)
Stylo	290p (–10p)
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Bargains	19728

INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 12%
3-month Interbank 12 5/16-12 3/16%
3-month eligible bills: 11¾-11 11/16%
buying rate
US: Prime Rate 10%
Federal Funds 8 3/16%*
3-month Treasury Bills 7.17-7.16%*
30-year bonds 101 11/16-101¾*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6785	£: $1.6795*
£: DM3.1480	$: DM1.8755*
£: SwFr2.6571	$: SwFr1.5810*
£: FFr10.6920	$: FFr6.3763*
£: Yen224.42	$: Yen133.68*
£: *Index:75.4*	$: Index:99.6
ECU £0.658576	SDR £0.768326

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $421.50 pm-$418.85
close $417.50-418.00 (£248.75-249.25)
New York:
Comex $417.30-417.80*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Oct.) pm $13.75bbl ($14.20)
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Rolls-Royce flies in with £121 million in cash

Three views of the figures . . . Sir Francis Tombs reporting a Rolls-Royce order book worth £3.4 billion yesterday (Photographs: Peter Trievnor)

Profits on course at £63m

By David Young

Rolls-Royce, the aero-engine manufacturer, yesterday reported a slight increase in profits, a healthy bank balance and an order book worth £3.4 billion.

Sir Francis Tombs, the chairman of Rolls-Royce said: "Opportunities for Rolls-Royce are plentiful and our underlying performance is very satisfactory.

"We continue our determined actions to increase our cost competitivenesss by a wide range of measures, of which the workforce reduction this year is an important example."

In the first half of this year staff cuts have cost the company £14 million compared with £2 million in 1987, while spending on research and development in the first half of this year was reduced to £77 million from £84 million in the same period last year. An interim dividend of 2.1p has been declared compared with 1.75p last year.

First-half profits this year were £63 million, against £60 million last year, after receiving interest payments of £6 million as opposed to paying interest charges of £8 million in the same period a year ago.The group has a cash balance of £121 million.

In the past six months Rolls-Royce has won orders to power 50 Boeing 757 aircraft for American Airlines, with options to power 50 more, and a decision has been made to proceed with the development of the European Fighter Aircraft, which it will play a key role in powering. Its V2500 engine has also been certificated on schedule.

Earnings rise fuels inflation worries

By Richard Thomson and David Smith

An unexpected rise in underlying average earnings threw a shadow over financial markets yesterday and prompted fears of an acceleration in inflation. Earnings rose by an annual rate of 9 per cent to July, the highest level for six years.

The figure for June was revised upwards to 8.75 per cent but before that earnings growth had been steady at 8.5 per cent since last December. The movement took the City by surprise and fuelled concern that wage settlements are getting out of hand.

Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Employment, said some of the increase was the result of overtime and bonus payments, but he gave a warning that excessive pay settlements would harm job prospects.

Unemployment fell for the 25th month in succession, with a drop of 45,400 last month to give a total of 2.27 million people without jobs. The seasonally adjusted adult unemployment rate for August was 8 per cent. Including school-leavers, unemployment dropped by 35,528 to 2.29 million.

Mr Fowler said that over the past year unemployment had been falling faster in Brtain than in any other industrialized country. The rate was now below that of most other European countries, he added.

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Mr Bill Martin, economist for Phillips & Drew, said: "The rise in average earnings is huge and horrible and comes just at the start of the next pay round. The economy is now way off track and there is a definite danger of a wage-price spiral beginning."

The increase in average earnings growth and the Chancellor's warning on Wednesday about today's inflation figures has led City analysts to revise up their inflation forecasts, with some now expecting a rate of 7 per cent in the new year.

Unit wage costs rose by 1.1 per cent for the three months to July compared with the same period last year.

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, said the rise was restrained by a 7.25 per cent increase in productivity over the year to July. The rise in unit wage costs compares with an increase of 2.2 per cent in the three months to the end of June.

The gilt market fell on the earnings news and dropped further after Bank of England figures suggesting that notes and coin in circulation this month are running at a level 10 per cent above a year ago.

● Thecurrent account was in deficit by £5.8 billion in the first half of the year, official figures showed.

The figures, which normally contain a substantial revision to initial estimates of earnings on invisibles, show that as well as the widening deficit on visible trade, the surplus on trade in services is declining.

The current account deficit in the second quarter was £2.91 billion, up from £2.84 billion in the first quarter. The visible trade deficit widened from £3.95 billion to £4.43 billion, while the balance on services slipped from £931 million to £907 million.

The overall invisibles balance improved from £1.11 billion to £1.52 billion, however, as a result of improved earnings on interest, profits and dividends and a reduction in net transfers.

The capital account data suggests that there was a net outflow of long-term portfolio investment in the second quarter, more than offset by a large inflow of short-term funds.

Separate figures from the Department of Trade and Industry confirmed the strength of the invesment boom. Capital expenditure by industry in the second quarter showed a real increase of 7 per cent on the previous quarter and was up by 14 per cent on a year earlier.

Racal places £1.85bn tag on Vodafone

By John Bell, City Editor

Racal is putting a price tag of up to £1.85 billion on its Vodafone cellular telephone operations due to be launched on the Stock Market in mid-October.

The company has lowered its sights from the earlier £2 billion target in the light of uncertain stock market conditions but is convinced the issue will be a success. Vodafone's market value will make it the largest flotation outside the government privatization programme.

Sir Ernest Harrison, Racal Electronics chairman, said the flotation of Vodafone and the telecommunications division was "the greatest event in the history of the company."

Launching the pathfinder prospectus for the flotation of Racal Telecom, he said from the time Racal was granted one of the two cellular licences by the Government five-and-a-half years ago "we were certain this was the greatest business opportunity we had ever experienced."

Racal Electronics is selling 20 per cent of the tele*communications division. Of* this, 75 per cent of the shares will go on a preferential basis to existing Racal shareholders on the basis of one for every 4½ shares already held.

The remaining 25 pr cent of the shares being sold will go to international investors in Europe and the US. There will also be a guaranteed 14 million shares offered to the public.

Since it was launched, Vodafone has been a spectacular success and is now the leading cellular phone company capturing a 55 per cent share of the market. The balance is held by Cellnet, the rival British Telecom consortium.

From losses of £1.8 million in 1984, Vodafone broke into the black in the year to March 1987 and produced profits of £50.2 million last year.

Pro forma profits for the current year to March 1989 are forecast to reach £77 million.

The offer price will not be fixed until closer to flotation but is expected to be in the range 155p to 185p per share, implying a stiff rating of between 28 and 33 times p/e per share.

A key factor in the flotation will be the reception in the US, where Mr Gerry Whent, Racal Telecom's chief executive, plans investor meetings during the next four weeks.

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The valuation of the cellular activities is high by the standards of the British stock market, and closer to prices paid for US cellular stocks. Mr Don Opatrny managing director of Goldman Sachs International Corp, which is advising Racal said: "We anticipate widespread interest from overseas and from the United States and Europe in particular."

Racal shares gained 9½p to 301p on news of the pathfinder prospectus which indicates a valuation towards the lower end of the company's expectations.

RTZ stays silent on Lasmo plans

By Colin Campbell

RTZ Corporation yesterday left the market guessing over its intentions towards its 29 per cent stake in Lasmo, the independent oil company.

Sir *Alistair* Frame, RTZ chairman, and Mr Derek Birkin, chief executive, said it would be premature for RTZ to comment on the future of its holding in Lasmo or on Lasmo's proposals to sell its own 25 per cent stake in Enterprise Oil.

The RTZ holding is worth *£289 million based on Lasmo's* share price of 569p yesterday.

RTZ unveiled a 77 per cent interim attributable profit leap to £199 million, which followed significantly higher metal prices and continuing industrial growth.

Sir Alistair said economic activity throughout the world continued generally firm, particularly in countries of significance to RTZ, and he viewed the future with confidence.

He added that RTZ was in excellent health, although world economic growth could be dampened by recent rises in interest rates, and there was some concern about the potential adverse effect of any additional protectionist measures on world trade.

The interim dividend rose *from 3.2p to 4.25p a share.* RTZ shares rose from 415p to 428p yesterday.

Profits from metals rose from £37 million to £97 million, those of speciality minerals from £48 million to £53 million, and related industries' profits from £41 million to £61 million.

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Demand for City office space falls

Demand for office space in the City of London fell by 6 per cent last year — less than had been feared — according to the latest annual survey by Savills, the commercial surveyors.

But the report says that landlords are now coming under increasing pressure to offer tenants greater inducements, "through lower rents, long rent-free periods, and higher contributions towards *fitting-out work.*"

The survey says that developments in the City and Docklands will increase the amount of available office accommodation by 20 million sq ft, to 85 million sq ft, by the end of 1991.

However, Charles Sanderson, Savills' City direc*tor, says:* "Provided the price is right, it is unlikely there will be any oversupply."

He adds: "Demand from traditional City users will be supplemented by demand from international companies choosing London as their European headquarters, and West End-based occupiers who will be attracted by the softer terms being offered in the City and Docklands."

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BTR unveils 31% half-time rise and free warrant plan

By Carol Ferguson

BTR, the fast-growing industrial conglomerate, lifted pretax profits 31 per cent in the *first half of 1988 to £368* million, and then unveiled plans to issue free warrants to its shareholders.

The warrants, which will give shareholders the right to subscribe to new BTR shares in 1992 and 1993 at 285p a share, will be issued in the ratio of one warrant for every 33 shares held. The shares rose 10p today to 283p.

Mr John Cahill, the chief executive, said BTR was in "uncharted waters", although warrants were fairly common in the US and Japan. "The object is to give the sharehold*ers the opportunity to partici*pate in BTR's future growth through a term option exercisable in future years, and further issues will be considered", he said.

He said BTR would not use the warrants as sweeteners in cash bids while its own share price was too depressed to make a share offer unattractive.

"To use warrants for this purpose would dilute our shareholders' interest and we have no intention of doing that," he said.

The interim profits surge was achieved on turnover up 27 per cent to £2.6 billion. ACI International, the Australian industrial group acquired last March by the BTR Nylex subsidiary, contributed £239 million in sales and £38 million in turnover.

Earnings per share rose 26 per cent to 13.5p, and the dividend was raised 26 per cent to 5.3p net. Shareholders have the option of taking the dividend in the form of shares.

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US group may buy hotel chain

By Cliff Feltham

Grand Metropolitan, the food and drinks group, is expected to make an early announcement concerning the successful bidder for its luxury chain of Inter-Continental Hotels which is likely to raise about £1.5 billion.

Last night there was speculation that VMS Realty, the *Chicago leisure and property* group, had won the auction. The deadline for the bids closed yesterday. However, a spokesman for Grand Metro*politan said: "There has been* a great deal of interest in the sale. We now have to evaluate the offers. It could be that three or four may be in the same price bracket so we would have to talk to the bidders. There are all sorts of financial and tax matters involved."

Mr Allen Sheppard, the Grand Metropolitan chairman put the 100 hotel business — more than 37,000 rooms — up for sale last month *indicating he expected to raise* at least £1.5 billion.

A number of British hotel chains, including Trusthouse Forte and Mount Charlotte, have been suggested as possible buyers, but the sheer size of the deal suggests that a consortium bid is most likely.

On the stock market, pros*pects of Grand Metropolitan's* impending windfall pushed the shares up 8p to 485p.

Effect on consumers of £75m travel merger to be examined

Thomson sees MMC on the Horizon

By Rosemary Unsworth
Retail Affairs Correspondent

The £75 million purchase of Horizon Travel by Thomson Travel has been referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission to see what effect the merger of the two biggest holiday companies *will* have on the consumer.

The reference by the Office of Fair Trading will consider the market for foreign inclusive holidays by air and will be completed within three months. The takeover, announced last month, was always a likely candidate for investigation as the value of the deal was in excess of the £30 million which allows the OFT *to intervene.*

Independent travel trade estimates were that the combined group would have 40 per cent — or 4,500 customers — of the package holiday market, with Mr Harry Goodman's International Leisure Group taking 20 per cent and Redwing 5 per cent. But Thomson put forward the case that, combined with Horizon, it held only a 22.9 per cent stake if independently arranged holidays were included in the total. On this basis ILG has 10.4 per cent of the market and Redwing 2.6 per cent.

The fear over the union of the two groups, which would also create the world's biggest charter airline with the merger of Orion and Britannia, was that prices would be even more tightly controlled, with the possibility of sharp increases next year for holiday-makers.

Horizon's vendor, Bass, the brewer, is not a victim of the reference as it sold the group unconditionally and has already received *the £75 million consideration.*

Mr Roger Davies, the chairman of Thomson Travel, said yesterday: "Obviously we would have preferred not to have a reference, but justice must be seen to be done. We are confident that, given the opportunity for an investigation, we will demonstrate that the merger is in no way against the consumer's interest."

He added that the group would show that whatever share of the travel market a company had, it could not dominate the market.

"Profits could be made, or lost, with any size of company — there is no magic economy of scale", he said.

Horizon was making a loss when it was sold by Bass, which had purchased the group just a year before, for £100 million.

The most extreme action the MMC could take, if it decided the merger was against the public interest, would be to order International Thomson Organis*ation, the holding company, to sell the* tour-operating division, or close it. However, City analysts thought this was unlikely.

International Thomson shares rose 25p, to 670p, yesterday.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Blue Arrow expands with Roco purchase

Blue Arrow, the world's biggest employment agency, is paying an initial £1.6 million for Roco, a recruitment bureau specializing in the supply of temporary heavy goods vehicle drivers, Mr David Scanlan, Roco's chairman and the vendor, is taking £1 million cash and the rest in new shares.

There is a further deferred consideration, depending on the current year's profits to May 31, again in cash and shares. Mr Scanlan has entered into a two-year service contract. The acquisition will enlarge Blue Arrow's Extrastaff operation, *which also supplies temporary HGV drivers.*

SD-Scicon tops £4m

SD-Scicon, the software house formed by the merger of Systems Designers and Scicon, the former BP subsidiary, lifted pre-tax profit from £3.18 million to £4.34 million in the six months to end-June. Fully diluted earnings per share were lower at 1.67p, from 1.70p. *The interim dividend* rose from 0.25p to 0.275p.

Westpool up 44% to £4m

Westpool Investment Trust, the investment holding company, reported a 44.5 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £4.1 million for the year to end-April. Gross income rose 35 per cent to £4.45 million. Earnings per share rose from 2.09p to 2.95p. A final dividend of *1.45p per share makes a* total of 1.8p (1.7p).

Talbex buys US firm

Talbex Group, the aerosol maker, is paying $12.5 million (£7.44 million) for Victoreen, a manufacturer of instruments and accessories for detecting radiation, based in Ohio and Mexico. The company has also given a warning that after tax and extraordinary items it will lose £650,000 for the year to end-July. The purchase will be funded by the issue of 19.9 million new shares at 22p each, which have been conditionally placed, with the balance in cash. The company made $1.23 million pre-tax in the 53 weeks to January 3.

Talbex said its profits before tax and extraordinary items were expected to be at least £1 million in the last financial *year, but extraordinaries would amount to £1.65 million. The previous year it* lost £1.28 million. Its shares fell 2.5p to 21p.

Wyevale in cash call

Wyevale Garden Centres is priming its guns for further expansion with a £3.6 million issue of convertible preference shares, to be offered to existing shareholders on the basis of three for every five ordinaries already held. Pending investment, the proceeds will be used to repay borrowings or be placed on deposit.

Thorpac suspended

Shares in Thorpac Group, the cookware and packaging producer, were suspended on the USM at 36p. The company has made three acquisitions this summer and a spokesman said time was needed to comply with Stock Exchange requirements relating to the purchases. *Dealing is expected to start* again after about a week.

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Warrants add a gloss to BTR

Warrants are not particularly well understood by analysts, and many investors fight shy of them. They are often used as a sweetener in preference or debt issues, but the dilutive effect of this type of issue leaves the ordinary shareholder with the uneasy feeling that he is being robbed somehow.

No such disadvantages attach to the BTR warrants announced yesterday. The shareholders themselves will be given one free warrant for every 33 shares held and each warrant will entitle them to subscribe *to* one new share in BTR at 285p each.

At today's price of 284p, there is virtually no dilution. Meanwhile, the shareholders have the option to subscribe *for more BTR shares at to*day's price in 1992 or 1993, or alternatively they can sell their warrants in the market for anything between 30p and 80p depending on how they are rated.

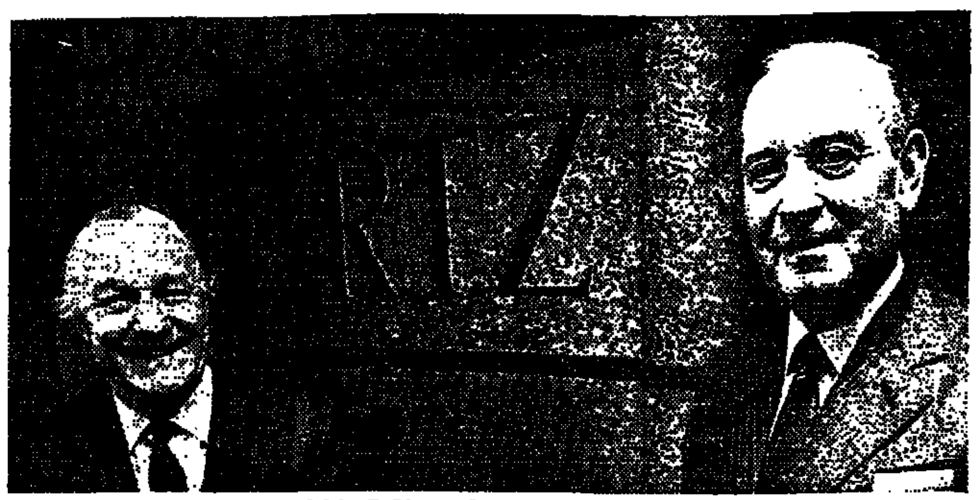
The advantage to BTR will be the future proceeds amounting to £146 million in cash. Because of the dilutive effect, BTR says that it does not intend to use warrants, with their market value established, as sweeteners in cash takeovers, but other companies may take up the idea.

If BTR can sustain its past and current performance, *these warrants should repre*sent pure gain to the shareholders. Interim pre-tax profits jumped 31 per cent to £368 million. About half the increase in profits came from acquisitions, especially the first-time contribution from ACI International, the Australian-based industrial group bought last March.

The other half came from the usual array of improving ratios the market has come to expect from *BTR — margins* up by a full percentage point to 15.5 per cent, reducing the material content by 0.5 per cent, reducing working capital by two days, the list is endless.

Analysts are looking to BTR to produce about £760 million pre-tax in the full year, depending on currency movements. In the first half, the adverse effect of the United States dollar was more or less offset by the strength of the Australian dollar.

The prospective multiple is a shade under 10, and the yield is 5.4 per cent. As ever, great value.



RTZ poker team: Derek Birkin (left) and Sir Alistair Frame (Photograph: Bob Gannon)

RTZ

RTZ Corporation might believe itself an excellent poker player because it can keep the *market guessing as to its next* corporate move, and because it has drawn a blanket over current Lasmo developments.

But the amount of shuffling of its pack of cards in the past six months, during which Mr Derek Birkin, the chief executive, and Sir Alistair Frame, the chairman, have sold more companies than they have bought, only points to one thing — RTZ has put its house in sufficient financial order to *be ready to pounce on some*thing big.

Gone are RTZ Cement, RTZ Oil and Gas, Home Insulation and Thos W Ward (Roadstone) which collectively brought in £651 million. In has come MK, the electrical group, for which it paid £255 million.

Meanwhile, and helped by strong organic growth in the first half of 1988, the financial muscle has grown and what was a 24 per cent net gearing position has now been trimmed to 10 per cent.

Add in the market value of its 29 per cent stake in Lasmo, currently worth to RTZ £289 million compared with its effective purchase price of £135 million, and the world looks to be RTZ's oyster.

The group should, in any *case, be very much in inves*tors' minds following interim results showing net attributable profits for the six months ended June 30 at £199 million compared with £113 million a year earlier, for a 77 per cent increase, and a one-third increase in the interim dividend to 4.25p a share.

Within its new format of splitting results between natural resources and related industries there have been *significant improvements.*

Though higher prices have played some part in raising the contribution from metals from £37 million to £97 million, higher efficiencies have also helped.

So this advance should not be seen as a flash in the pan, and because of the group's defensive qualities, there should be few worries if prices weaken.

Meanwhile, the industrial interests continue to perform well, and for the 1988 year net attributable profits of £385 million against £279.5 million should be within easy reach. A fatter final dividend is also in prospect.

At 427p, up 10p, the prospective yield is 4.4 per cent and the rating 8.8 times. Buy.

B&C

British & Commonwealth shares — down another 6p to 216p yesterday — dropped after the analysts quizzed the company on its interim results rather than before. That emphasizes the post-crash estrangement between the investment barons and former favourite son, Mr John Gunn.

Mr Gunn's plans to convert *B&C from a caterpillar to a* butterfly are still at the stage where there is too much builders' rubble about to see the beauty of the design.

Most of the businesses have done well, apart from Gartmore investment management and realizations, which was hit by the crash, on the £250 million development portfolio (halved to £12.5 *million).*

But the Bricom trading activities, in for £21.8 million at halfway, have now gone, to be replaced in the second half by four months of Atlantic Computers, probably worth about the same amount. And the buyouts of the moneybrokers Marshalls and William Street remain imminent.

The 17 per cent rise in pretax profit to £82.9 million is also blurred by the accounting argument over amortization of goodwill, which knocks off £20 million (£6.4 million in 1987) the way in which B&C does it, reducing pre-tax profit to £63 million against £65 million. The problem has been exacerbated by the exchange of Bricom for Atlantic. That leaves £1.3 billion of the £1.5 billion of shareholders' funds for goodwill, inviting specious charges of over-gearing.

To make matters worse, half-time earnings per share (basic before goodwill amortization) have dropped from 13.1p to 12.4p because of the preference dividends payable on the former holding of the Cayzer family, whose timing looks better than Mr Gunn's.

Remaining fans of Mr Gunn will, however, look for pre-goodwill earnings above 13.5p per share in the second half, making a 15 per cent improvement on the year. In six months' time, the shares would, therefore, sell at less than 8.5 times earnings with a likely yield of 6.2 per cent. Given the realizable asset *value, believers should buy* now, while others wait a year to see if the butterfly flies.

Rowntree war nets Suchard £163m

By Colin Narbrough

Jacobs Suchard's withdrawal from the Rowntree battle with its Swiss rival Nestlé has allowed the Zurich coffee and confectionery group, to award its shareholders a 10 per cent bonus.

The extra payout, announced yesterday, is being made on the strength of the SwFr430 million (£163 million) the company netted from selling its 29.9 per cent stake in the York sweets and chocolate-maker to Nestlé.

Suchard's decision to withdraw swiftly followed Nestlé's increased offer of 1,075p per share.

This compared with the average 775p Suchard paid for the shares after its dawn raid on Rowntree in April.

Suchard said: "The profit from the sale of the Rowntree shares will allow the board to propose to the annual meeting a special 10 per cent bonus."

The extraordinary profit will also be used to fund expansion and speed up the restructuring it intends to undertake ready for the Single European Market in 1992.

The Jacobs Suchard Museum in Zurich will receive a financial boost, and a new foundation for the young will be endowed with Sfr30 million.

But Suchard's news was not all good.

Heavy competition, fluctuating coffee prices and high marketing costs prevented first-half group profits from matching those for the same period last year.

This was despite sales being *6 per cent higher at SwFr2.94* billion, with confectionery showing the best performance.

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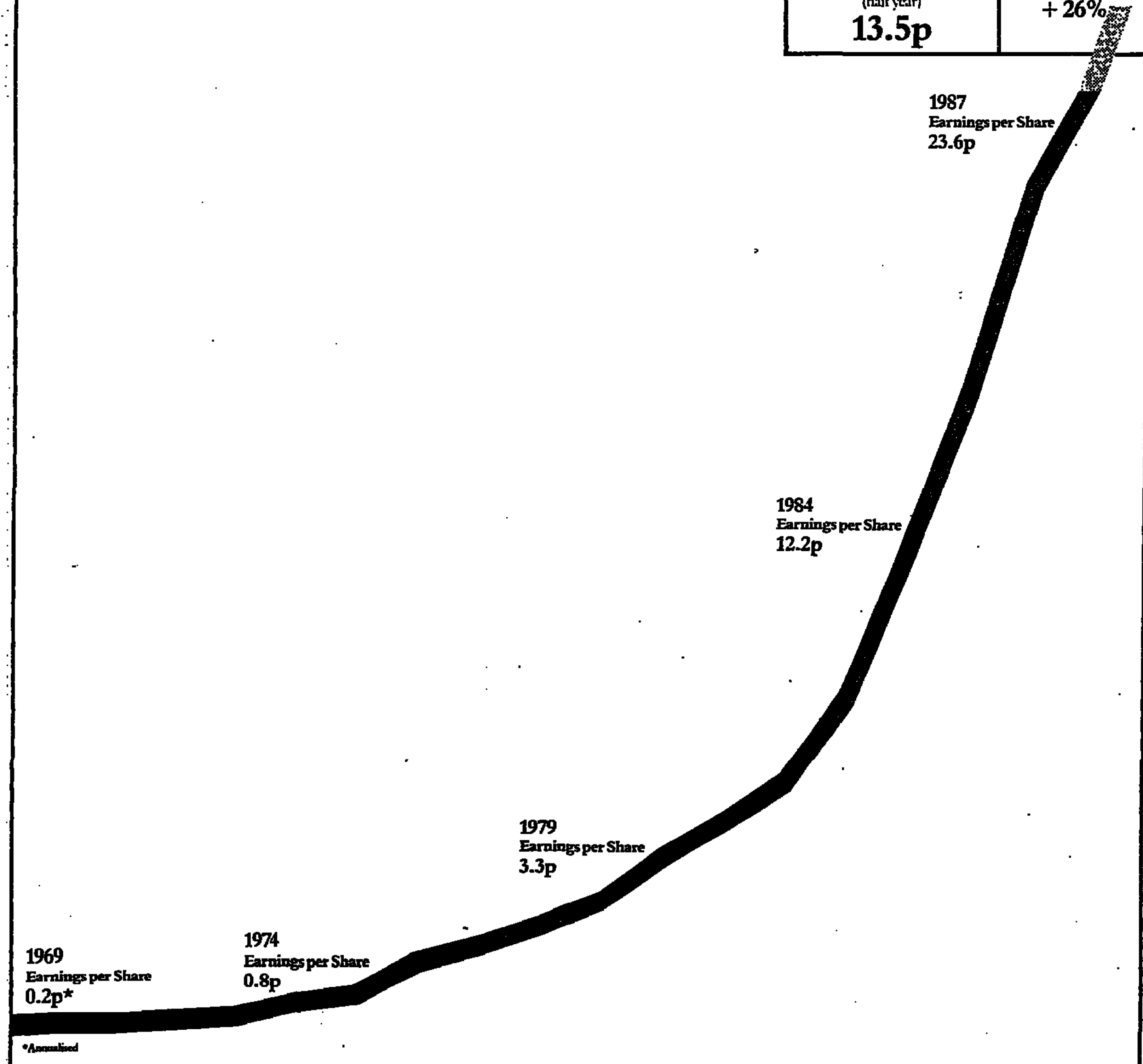

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Reassurance from Goodison

By John Young

A tacit assurance that the City will be more responsive to industry's concern about the activities of large investors was given by Sir Nicholas Goodison, chairman of the Stock Exchange.

Sir Nicholas agreed there should be greater co-operation between the City and industry in their approach to Government and to joint ventures.

He was replying to a call by Mr Ross Buckland, president of the Food and Drink Federation, for tighter controls on institutional share trading and a revision of UK mergers policy to safeguard the competitiveness of British-based food and drink manufacturing companies.

Speaking at the federation's annual luncheon in London, Mr Buckland said: "There is concern that, if unchecked, some institutions will continue to trade in the shares of our companies for short-term advantage without recognition of the medium, let alone long-term. The important thing is that the food and drink industry should meet the needs of the economy, the people who work in it, its retail and wholesale customers, and its end customers, the consumers."

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Schroders

Interim Statement

15th September, 1988

The Directors of Schroders Public Limited Company have resolved to pay an interim dividend for the year ending 31st December, 1988 of 6p per share on the Ordinary Shares of £1 each (fully paid) and on the non-voting Ordinary Shares of £1 each (fully paid). This dividend is the same as the interim dividend paid in respect of the year ended 31st December, 1987.

The dividend will be payable on 27th October, 1988 to shareholders whose names appear in the Register of Members of the Company as at 29th September, 1988.

The profits of the Schroder Group for the first six months of 1988 were lower than in the same period of the previous year.

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Guinness outstrips market hopes with 21% advance

By Lawrence Lever

Guinness, the spirits and brewing group, has produced pre-tax profits of £183 million in the six *months to June 30*. This is marginally above market expectations and represents a 21 per cent increase on the corresponding half last year.

Full-year profits are expected to be substantially more than double the half-year performance as the company traditionally has a stronger second half.

They should benefit from a contribution from LVMH, the French champagne and luxury goods group in which Guinness and Financiere Agache have *taken a stake of about 25* per cent through a joint venture vehicle. Guinness yesterday refused to be drawn on questions about LVMH, which stands for Louis Vuitton Moet Hennessy.

The company is racked by boardroom disputes and is due to vote on proposals to restructure its board at a shareholders' meeting next Thursday.

If the group is broken up analysts believe Mr Anthony Tennant, Guinness's chief-executive, would want to acquire its world-famous brands — Moet & Chandon champagne and Hennessy cognac.

Mr Sandy Soames, of Panmure Gordon the broker, *said:"There can be little doubt* of Mr Anthony Tennant's wish ultimately to gain control of these brands"

"However the central problem over any purchase must be the gap between Guinness's present low rating and the exit price of LVMH."

Guinness's profit figures benefited from a full six-month contribution of £14 million from Schenley, the US drinks distributor which it bought for £293 million last year.

Group turnover fell from £1.3 billion to £1.2 billion, reflecting last year's disposal of retail and other non-core interests.

However, turnover from spirits and brewing was up *16* per cent to £1.1 billion. Earnings per share increased 21 per cent to 13.5p and there is a net interim dividend of 3.5p compared with 3p in the first half last year.

The benefits of Guinness's rationalization of its distribution network, while contributing a little to the half-year figures, are not expected to start flowing through before next year.

The results show growth in Guinness's spirits and brewing operations, with worldwide spirits profits of £170 million and brewing contributing £33 million.

Net finance charges were £24 million. British sales of *Kaliber*, the alcohol-free lager, more than doubled.

UniChem faces threat of referral by OFT

By Rosemary Unsworth
Retail Affairs
Correspondent

The saga of UniChem's contentious share allocation plan took a new twist yesterday when the Office of Fair Trading said that the scheme "distorts competition and is anti-competitive."

Unless UniChem, the phar*maceutical wholesaler* owned by its retail chemist members, offers an undertaking to remove the anti-competitive effect of its scheme, set up to aid its proposed flotation in 1990, it will be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

The OFT report concludes that UniChem could win a greater share of the market by offering an inducement to new customers funded from the market value of the business accumulated from the previous spending of existing UniChem members, not by *cutting its prices or improving* its service.

After the announcement AAH, the owner of Vestric, the rival pharmaceutical wholesalers, which is already quoted and therefore cannot offer the same share incentives, said it would start a claim for substantial damages from UniChem through the Treaty of Rome. Macarthy, UniChem's other rival, is already pursuing one.

"The OFT decision vindicates the advice given to pharmacists by AAH that caution should be exercised before participating in the scheme," the company said.

UniChem, which has gained 550 new members — making 5,300 out of 10,000 independent pharmacists — since the scheme started at the beginning of the year, put a brave face on the announcement.

Mr Peter Dodd, the chief executive, said *he* was surprised but not dismayed by the conclusions.

"I generally welcome the report although naturally regret that at this stage it does not give us a totally clean bill of health.

"The areas which I particularly welcome are that the UniChem scheme does not prevent or exclude competition."

He added that in the next four to eight weeks — the time available before Sir Gordon Borrie, the OFT director-general, has to refer the case — UniChem would discuss the points of difference with the OFT.

The scheme arranged by Phillips & Drew, UniChem's financial adviser, allocates shares on the basis of purchases made.

COMMENT David Brewerton

Market-makers suffer on City rental rack

The big question now in the City is what event will spark off the rationalization of securities dealing capacity which has to take place before or after the dominoes begin to topple.

It has become clear to everyone that trading volumes, the key to profitability in the securities houses, are not going into a post-summer pick-up. The stock market has had every degree of stimulus which could possibly be devised, but has not responded. The institutions are off. They are not rising, let alone biting. And the fishermen sit folornly along their computer-laden banks and hope something will turn up.

A market which has not been spurred into anything but specific and short-term action *by such corporate activity as the bid battle* for Rowntree, the demerger of Vodafone, the restructuring of the North Sea oil companies and a foreign invasion of the property industry, let alone the emergence of public sector surplus and a 60 per cent increase in bank base rates, is unlikely to be stimulated by the Chancellor's Autumn Statement or the number of shopping days to Christmas. *Volume is down, and looks like staying that* way.

Eventually, the securities industry will divide into winners and losers, but nobody *knows quite what will start the process*. The securities markets are not ones where there is any loyalty, and any attempts to boost market share by, for instance, cutting trading spreads is likely to last only as long as the market-maker is prepared to work for nothing.

The final straw could, of course, come from the rents the traders have to pay for their dealing rooms. Acres of blinking screens cost money, and while the Halifax Building Society has set a new record by paying £67.50 per sq ft for space in the City, few securities businesses can now justify the £60 which is now the going rate for prime offices.

Savills, the estate agent, acknowledges the difficulties of the financial sector in its latest rental survey, but may be putting an optimistic gloss on the market by suggesting that overall employment in the securities houses should be restored, by the end of this year, to pre-crash levels through the expansion of compliance and corporate finance departments. From the straws in the wind which I see blowing about the City, employment is more likely to decline than be restored.

And that, in turn, could be the reef which the property industry feels is waiting for it somewhere just below the surface.

Profit slumps at Neill

By Our City Staff

Disruption to management and the workforce while a firm of management consultants sought ways to improve efficiency at James Neill Holdings is being partially blamed for sharply lower half-year profits.

Neill, Britain's largest and Europe's third largest toolmaker, reported pretax profits of £2.7 million for the first half of 1988, 29 per cent below the previous interim figure, and the share price tumbled 15p to 174p. Sales dropped marginally to £30.3 million.

Mr Hugh Neill, the chairman, claimed that the downturn, which followed a marginal setback in sales to £30.3 million, reflected the disruption caused by the arrival of the management consultancy, and the strength of sterling over the period.

Mr Neill said also that the *development and production* time of new equipment was taking longer than anticipated. The figures include an exceptional item of £257,000 relating to the consultant's fees.

Mr Peter Bullock, Neill's chief executive, said that the full-year results were unlikely to match the record achieved in 1987, when pre-tax profits surged ahead by 68 per cent to £7.61 million, although the second half will show an improvement over the first half.

But the company remains *optimistic that it can increase* its presence in the world tool industry.

Earnings per share dropped to 7.5p from a previous 11.5p. However, the interim dividend is lifted from 3p to 3.1 per share.

Digging in: Peter Bullock, chief executive of James Neill, where profits fell 29 per cent (Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Car sales boost for Inchcape

By Cliff Feltham

Inchcape, the international trading group, is hoping that the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, does not increase the tax on company cars above its present level.

The group, which yesterday disclosed that its motor business now accounts for nearly half its profits, has franchises for favoured executive makes such as Jaguar, Saab and BMW.

Mr George Turnbull, the *chairman, said: "Provided the* Chancellor doesn't increase the taxable allowance or assessment of the benefit much more than it is now, we think it is still an expanding sector."

Mr Turnbull reported a 25 per cent rise, to £69.1 million, *in pre-tax earnings for the six* months to the end of June, and is raising the interim dividend by 29 per cent to 2.75p a share. Earnings per share went up 36 per cent to 11.2p.

The motor vehicles operation contributed nearly half of group trading profits at £42 million. Inchcape is now one of the world's leading motor distributors, selling 150,000 vehicles a year in Europe, the Far East and South America.

Elsewhere, business machines suffered a setback because of difficult conditions in the Australian market, while Inchcape's two resource-based businesses, concentrating on tea and timber, were hit by lower prices.

On the stock market the shares eased 4p, to 208p.

Putting value on unknown

Racal's plans to float its star performer, Vodafone, have been dogged by a succession of carping critics. Despite the spectacular performance of the lusty offspring, Racal is not out of the woods just yet.

Several firms of respected securities houses have put their names to valuations around or below the £1.55 billion which marks the lower end of the possibilities outlined in the pathfinder prospectus. They have no complaint in general with the basic business, nor the agressive manner in which it was created and built up. And to a man they recognize the profit potential as exceptional.

What rankles with the doubters is the Goldman Sachs valuation methods used to price the issue. To conservative London eyes, what passes for fair value in Los Angeles and New York, appears a trifle lurid.

It must be said they depart wildly from the traditional investment yardsticks used here. The approach used by Goldman Sachs and other US houses stems in part from attempts to put a long-term value on cellular companies which, unlike Vodafone, have not yet made the breakthough into profit. Essentially the techniques use estimates of cash flow which are discounted at a suitable rate to produce a so-called *mature value for the company in the far*-off years at the end of the century.

The room for error is considerable given that the cellular business is so new that there are no case histories to go by. The most mature business, Scandinavia's, is a mere three years older than our own. The difficulties in projecting costs, prices and market penetration, let alone choosing an appropriate discount rate over a protracted time period gives rise to a wide range of possible values. This will be the key battleground as Racal does the rounds of its leading investors over the next few weeks.

There will still be some persuasive words needed to convince those who wish to use traditional yardsticks. The prospective price earnings ratio indicated in the pathfinder is in the range of 28 to 33 times. On Vodafone's explosive growth, that will drop to 20 or less in the year after the flotation. This even now, represents a massive premium to the market as a whole. The market multiple for 1989-90 is probably in single figures.

But yesterday, there was a grudging feeling even among the more forceful critics that the issue will succeed, even if Racal needs to issue more shares in the telecom group than the planned 20 per cent in order to meet the Stock Exchange requirement of a £350 million minimum value on the stock offered.

For the cellular business is now taking-off far beyond the confines of the yuppie brigade. New subscribers are signing up at the rate of 2,500 or more per week. By the year-end Vodafone and Cellnet will have about half a million *customers. The business is essentially* front-end loaded and the profits are highly geared to extra business once the set-up costs are met. Vodafone is a remarkable success by any business standards. The arguments are simply over price.

ABP shares surge on 59% interim advance

By Wolfgang Münchau

Shares in Associated British Ports surged *18p to 511p* after a 59 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £21.2 million in the first half of this year, which exceeded market expectations by £4 million.

Most of the increase came from the company's property sector, which now contributes about *£11 million to operating* profits — as much as the traditional port operations. Turnover was up 29.7 per cent to £113 million.

Through Grosvenor Square Properties Group, bought at the beginning of last year, the company is becoming increasingly involved in the development of non-port properties, including the London Pavilion, Piccadilly Circus, the Aldwych House, and the Buchanan Centre, a Glasgow shopping centre.

The interim dividend was raised to 3.5p from last year's 2.5p.

B&C beats forecast with £83m profits

By Graham Searjeant, Financial Editor

British & Commonwealth, the *financial services group head*ed by Mr John Gunn, has increased profits before tax and amortization of goodwill from £71.1 million to £82.9 million in the first half of the year, against an estimate of not less than £80 million made during its bid for Atlantic Computers, the computer marketing and leasing group.

The interim dividend has been raised by 14 per cent from 3.5p to 4p per share.

After amortization of goodwill on acquisitions, however, pre-tax profits are down from £65 million to £63 million. A 34 per cent tax charge and preference dividends of £10.7 million on the former Cayzer family holding reduce earnings per share after goodwill amotization to 6.3p against 11.2p a year ago. Basic earnings before goodwill amortization are down 9.5 per cent to 12.4p.

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THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Onward Virgin soldier

The City will become a less holy place at the end of this month. For the stockbroking fraternity is, I hear, about to lose its last surviving cleric. Peter Virgin, an insurance analyst at Morgan Grenfell for the past three years, tells me he will be leaving the Square Mile at the end of this month to pursue a career in, of all things, journalism. Virgin, who publishes his first book, *The Church in an Age of Negligence*, through James Clarke in November, seems to have enjoyed writing it so much that he now wants to take up the profession full-time. "I see myself as being a freelance journalist," he says, "writing for all sorts of different publications. I enjoy investigating things. I think it's an intrinsically interesting thing to do. I've been in the City for 10 years now and that's a vast time for me to be in one occupation." Indeed, during his decade in the Square Mile, Virgin, aged 45, worked for Laurie Milbank, Greenwell and Simon & Coates before joining Morgan, and in his earlier life he went from being a theological student at Cambridge to teaching in both Eltham Green Comprehensive, one of the largest schools in London, and a boys' prep school to being a curate in Catford, south London. And the book? It is a study of the church from the 1700s to 1840, and took him 20 years to complete. "It's about ecclesiastical corruption," he says.

Inchcape of good hope

Inchcape, the holding company closely associated with Britain's golden days of shipping, is sailing towards a new port. As chairman George Turnbull said yesterday, it will indeed be the end of an era. For Inchcape is moving out of its long-time home in St Mary Axe, in the Square Mile. But it has discovered a new headquarters suitably steeped in maritime history. Its new building in St James's is, Turnbull reveals, situated on the site of Nerot's Hotel, where Lord Nelson rested his weary bones after his victory over Napoleon's navy in the Battle of the Nile.

Lynch party

In a pre-emptive strike designed to minimize the negative publicity that is expected to surround the first anniversary of the crash next month, the US investment house Merrill Lynch is to stage a Great Black Monday Show. On Monday, October 17, a one-hour seminar entitled "One year later: Investing in a new era," will be broadcast on the firm's own cable network into its 500 US offices and a number of hotels and convention centres. The message will be that the economy remains strong. "We want to assure people that 12 months later there is still a financial world, and opportunities within it," says David Komansky, national sales director at Merrill. The company hopes the stars of the show will be Michael Dukakis and George Bush, giving their views.

Blue steel

It might be sheer coincidence, but the conversion of British Steel Corporation to the snappier British Steel Plc, in readiness for its imminent return to the private sector, has been accompanied by an *interesting change in* corporate colouring. Instead of the bright red of its public sector, pre-Plc stationery, the company is, I see, now using a note-paper with a broad stripe in a shade of blue — not far removed from that of the Conservative Party.

Merger will out

Fed up with the poor rating the stock market gives your company? Hindered by an inability to issue paper for acquisitions? If you answered yes to both those questions then the man you want to speak to is Chris Clegg, who has just joined the merchant bank Guinness Mahon as a director. Clegg, now aged 40, began his career with Oppenheimer, the New York investment house, where he was MD of its UK mergers and acquisitions business. More recently, he was with Chase where he was, similarly, MD of its M&A department. He tells me that in his new role at GM he is planning to make leveraged buy-outs as common as they are in the US. Employed in GM's corporate finance department, he says: "It specializes in new issues, USMs and Business Expansion Schemes — in none of which I have any expertise. What I will add will be a deal creation activity, which will include leveraged buy-outs." And it will not be a passive activity. "We will be doing our own analysis and then going out and talking to companies," he says.

● **If you think you might learn something you should not be by browsing through the visitors' book on the reception desk of City solicitors *Freshfields, think again.* For security reasons it has, I am told, introduced a loose-leaf book. There is just one signature on each page, and, once signed, the pages are then removed.**

Carol Leonard

C H Industrials PLC

Notice of

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

22nd September 1988 at 11·00am

Abraham Lincoln Room, The Savoy, Strand, London WC2.

Because of the current postal dispute Shareholders may not yet have received our 1988 Annual Report and Accounts, despatched on 31st August 1988.

Please note the above arrangements in respect of this year's AGM.

Copies of the 1988 Annual Report and Accounts are available at the Company's Registered Office, 33 Cavendish Square, London W1 and will also be available at the AGM.

Subject to Shareholders' approval, dividend warrants will be despatched as soon as postal services allow, following the AGM.

The Company will report

RECORD RESULTS FOR YEAR ENDED 2nd APRIL 1988

	Year ended 2nd April 1988	Increase over Year ended 28th March 1987
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	£9·33m	+117%
NET EARNINGS PER SHARE	14·50p	+31%
NET DIVIDEND PER SHARE	3·75p	+34%

John Lewis Partnership plc

Department stores and Waitrose supermarkets

Consolidated unaudited results for the half year ended 30 July 1988

	1988 £m	1987 £m	% change
Sales (including VAT)	893.2	798.2	+12
Trading Profit	62.1	53.8	+15
Interest	3.2	2.4	+34
Pensions Fund Contribution	8.0	7.1	+13
Surplus available for preference dividends, profit sharing and, subject to taxation, for retentions	50.9	44.3	+15

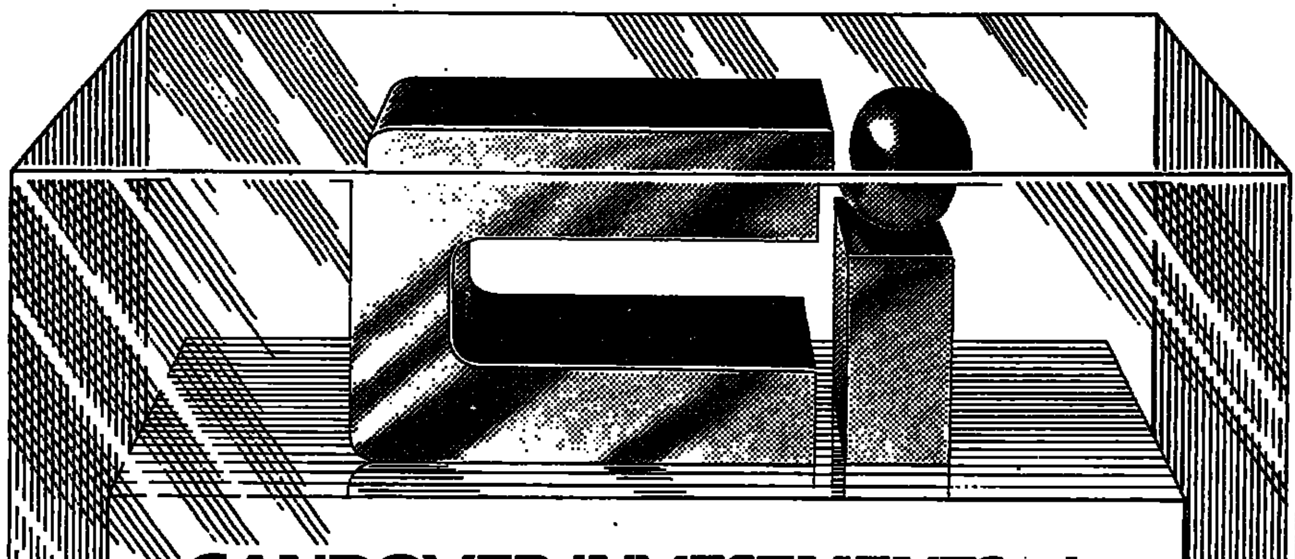
Sales and profit

Sales rose by £45m (+11%) in the department store division and by £50m (+13%) in Waitrose. Profits moved ahead at a faster rate than sales and for the first time topped £50m before tax in the first half of the year.

Profit sharing

Allocation between retentions and profit sharing is determined when the results for the full year are known. Preference dividends for the half year were £109,000 (£109,000).

For further details of the results and/or the John Lewis Partnership please telephone 01-637 3434 Ext 6221.



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For the half year ended June 30, 1988

- Net assets up 23 per cent to £31.3 m – equivalent to 432p per share ex-dividend – and more than double the rise in the FT ALL SHARE INDEX, over the period.
- Pre-tax profits up 46 per cent to £690,000.
- Interim dividend declared at 3.5p per share compared with 3.0p per share for the same period last year.
- Three significant listings in London and Amsterdam of Candover sponsored buy-outs.
- New investments in UK and European buy-outs.

Recent Management Buy-outs completed

United Kingdom

HAYS (£255 m)
HUMBERCLYDE (£205 m)
DWEK (£35 m)
LOWNDES LAMBERT (£18 m)
MOTOR WORLD (£11 m)
DON REYNOLDS (£3 m)

West Germany

HEIDEMANN-WERKE (DM 55 m)

USA

CENTURY WRECKER ($15 m)

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Ratners jumps to £6.5m as sales new look pays off

By Carol Ferguson

Sale tactics: Gerald Ratner profits nearly doubled

Ratners Group, the jewellery chain, shows no sign of a slowdown in its phenomenal growth rate of recent years. Helped by a contribution from recent US acquisitions, pretax profits almost doubled from £3.4 million to £6.5 million in the first half of 1988.

Much of the improvement came from a change in British marketing strategy.

Cheaper supplies enabled the group to improve its gross margins by almost 3 percentage points, Mr Gerald Ratner, the group's chairman and managing director, said.

"But we reduced our gross margins by extending our summer sale into September to see if we could make up our net margins from increased turnover, and it works," he said.

This year, there will be a three-week gap between the end of the current sale and the start of the pre-Christmas sale on October 24.

"There is still heavy emphasis on cost control, but the increase in sales puts our net margin through the roof," Mr Ratner said.

Mr Ratner is also enthusiastic about prospects in the US. "It is a sleepy industry, and competition is weak", he said. "We aim to have 10 per cent of this $3 billion (£1.8 billion) market with 750 shops in five or 10 years."

In the UK, Ratners will add 106 stores to its chain by Christmas, giving it a total of 830 stores. In the US, there will be 310 stores in operation, including 48 new store openings, giving a total of 1,140 stores open before Christmas.

Mr Ratner said that his group's market share had risen to 23 per cent, compared with 19.3 per cent last year, and he predicted that it could be 27 per cent by the year-end.

"We are on target for our stated aim of a 50 per cent market share", he said.

He claims to have little opposition, as the independents are still declining.

Mr George Davies's Next, a new entrant, was selling mainly costume jewellery and gifts and did not compete directly with the merchandise sold by Ratners.

"In fact, we do even better when Next opens a new jewellery store because it replaces a Weir or a Collingwood shop which do compete with us," Mr Ratner said.

The interim dividend is increased by 32 per cent to 1.65p net, a response, Mr Ratner said, to accusations that he had been mean with the dividend.

Interim earnings per share were up by 45 per cent to 2.76p.

Mr Ratner said he was confident about the future, despite high interest rates. "Most of our customers are not married yet, do not have mortgages, and are unaffected by interest rates", he said.

83% rise at Michael Peters

By Our City Staff

Pre-tax profits at Michael Peters Group, the marketing services consultancy, rose by 83 per cent to £2.13 million in the year to end-June helped by contributions for four months from two acquisitions.

The final dividend is 2.2p, making a total of 3.7p, up from 3p last time.

In the United States, Hambrecht Terrell International contributed £300,000 pre-tax for the four months since its acquisition, while Spectrum Communications in this country made £100,000 during the same period.

The department store operations in the United States have seen a temporary downturn, said Mr Ian Farnfield, the chairman of Peters, because of the drastic realignment of the industry caused by the $6 billion-plus acquisition of Federated Department Stores by the Campeau Corporation earlier this year. Bloomingdales, the flagship of the Federated Department Stores group, is a client of Peters.

Hamleys for sale 'at £40m'

By Martin Waller

Hamleys, the toy shop in London's Regent Street which claims to be the world's oldest and biggest, has been formally put up for sale by Lowndes Queensway, the new owner of the Harris Queensway retail group.

The consortium headed by Mr James Gulliver, which took over Sir Philip Harris's empire last month, is giving prospective bidders for the shop until October 3.

Market sources believe it wants around £40 million, against the £30 million Sir Philip paid for it and three smaller ones, in 1986. Sir Philip's attempt to set up a chain of Hamleys stores in the provinces failed, and all but the Regent Street store have now been closed or sold.

The Gulliver consortium said when it took over that it wanted to take the whole group back to its core business of furniture and carpet retailing.

Interest has already been expressed by 20 or 30 potential buyers in the US, Switzerland, West Germany, France, Hong Kong, and Japan, as well as from Britain. Mr Graham Watson, a director at Noble Grossart, the Scottish merchant bank which is handling the sale, said it looked likely the store would be bought by a foreign purchaser, anxious to open its equivalent overseas.

"We see Hamleys as being a name which should be represented in major cities.

"It should be in New York, Paris and Rome," he added.

Preliminary indications are that the existing management was not interested in mounting a buy-out, he said.

Tyndall soars 266% to interim £7m

By Richard Thomson

Tyndall Holdings, the financial services company, yesterday announced a 266 per cent increase in pre-tax profits, from £1.9 million to £7 million, for the six months to June 30. Turnover was up 32 per cent, to £19.52 million.

The result was substantially helped by a full half-year contribution for the first time from Clayton Robard, the Australian business acquired by Tyndall last year.

At the same time, Tyndall revealed two further purchases, both in North America. It has bought the whole of Newport International, a US fund management group based in San Francisco, and a 25 per cent stake in Horgan Tattersall, a Canadian fund management company. The group is also expanding its activities in the Far East, including the opening of a new office in Hong Kong.

Tyndall said that its financial position was very sound, with a net cash position of £36.2 million and shareholders' funds of £62.3 million.

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WORLD MARKETS: HONG KONG

Hang Seng slips in thin day of cautious trading

(Reuter) - Share prices ended mixed yesterday in thin trading because of caution among investors over the market's future direction.

The Hang Seng Index slipped 7.49 points to 2,474.08. Turnover rose to 473 million from 321 million on Wednesday.

Among blue-chip issues, the property and trading sectors posted small losses while the utility and banking groups were mixed.

After opening higher, share prices rose in early trading but gave back half of the gains by the end of the morning session. The market drifted lower in the afternoon, and the Hang Seng Index ended the day just off its low.

● **Sydney** — The national share market closed sharply higher, bolstered by confidence in blue chip industrials, particularly banking stocks, brokers said. At the close of floor trading, the All Ordinaries Index was 18.8 points higher at 1,568.1, bolstered by confidence in blue chip industrials, particularly banking stocks.

The market's early surge, helped by the release of improved U.S. trade data, was maintained by good follow through buying.

● **Frankfurt** — The real time DAX 30-share index closed 3.40 points higher at 1,228.11 points with many West German shares closing stronger on the day in active trading. However, some operators took profits after the sharp rise which has occured so far this week. Turnover was below the high levels seen in recent sessions.

● **Singapore** — Advances outpaced falls by 72 to 33 and the *Straits Times* Industrial Index rose 3.70 points to 1,071.22.

NEW YORK

Dow hovers round the 2,100 level

(Reuter) — Wall Street stocks moved slightly lower as the market showed signs of indecision. Early profit-taking was followed by a modest rise then a modest pullback. Traders said institutions might take a few days to react positively to yesterday's report of a smaller trade gap.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 1 point as it meandered round the 2,100 level. Declining issues had a small lead over gainers in moderate trading.

Hospital Corp of America rose 7½ to 44⅝ following an announcement by the company that a management group is planning a buyout.

WALL STREET

	Sep 14	Sep 13		Sep 14	Sep 13		Sep 14	Sep 13
AMR Cp	45¾	45¾	Fedders	9¾	9	Pennzoil	74¾	73¾
ASA	37¾	37¾	Fst Chicago	33¼	32¾	Pepsico	36⅝	37¾
Aetna Life	50⅝	52¼	Fst Int Bncp	52¼	51¾	Pfizer	53⅝	53⅝
Allied Signal	34¾	35	Fst Penn C	12⅝	12⅝	Phelps Dod	38¾	37¾
Allis Chlm	9/16	½	FT Wachva	39½	39½	Philip Mor	96¾	96⅝
Alcoa	50⅝	50¼	Ford Motor	51¼	51½	Phlip Ptl	18	17½
Amax Inc	20⅝	20¾	GAF Cp	49½	49¼	Pillsbury	36¾	36⅝
AMR Hess	26⅝	27	GTE Cp	42⅝	42⅝	Polaroid	42	41⅝
Am Brands	48⅝	47⅝	Gen Cp	21¾	21¾	Primerica	28⅝	28¾
Am Cynmd	48¼	47¾	Gn Dynam	51⅝	51⅞	Proct Gble	79⅝	79¾
Am Ele Pwr	27⅝	27¾	Gen Electric	42⅝	42⅝	Pub S E G	23⅝	23
Amexs	29⅝	29¼	Gen Inst	29⅝	30¾	R Nabisco	53⅝	53⅝
Am Family	12¾	12½	Gen Mills	50⅝	50⅝	Raytheon	68¾	68¾
Am Home	79¼	79¾	Gen Motors	75⅝	74⅝	Rynlds Metl	51⅝	51
Am Int Grp	63½	63⅝	Gen Pub Ut	34½	34	Rockwell Int	20¼	20⅝
Am Telph	25½	25¼	Genesco	5¼	5¼	Royal Dutch	106⅝	106¼
Amoco Cp	74⅝	73¼	Georgia Pac	37¾	38	SFE Sopac	20	19⅝
Anheusr B	31⅝	31¼	Gillette	35¼	34⅝	Sara Lee	42½	41⅝
Arch Dan M	19⅝	18⅝	Goodrich	56⅝	53	Schlumb	32¼	32⅝
Armco Steel	10½	10	Goodyear	59⅝	59¼	Scott Paper	36⅝	36⅝
Asarco Inc	23¾	23¾	Gould Inc	22⅝	22⅝	Seagram	55	54⅝
Ashland Oil	35⅝	36	Grace Co	25½	24¼	Sears Roeb	36⅝	35¼
Atl Richfld	81¼	80⅝	Grt Atl Pac	43⅝	44	Sec Pac	38⅝	38¾
Avon Prod	24⅝	25	Greyhnd	31	30¾	Shell Trans	67⅝	67⅝
Bk Boston	27⅝	27⅝	Gruman	22⅝	22	Smith Beck	48⅝	48⅝
Bank NY	35⅝	34¼	Gulf Westn	42¼	42⅝	Sony Cp	50⅝	50⅝
Bankamer	14⅝	14½	Heinz	44⅝	44⅝	SW Bell	39⅝	39½
Bkrs Tst NY	38⅝	38⅝	Hercules	45⅝	45¼	Squibb	64¼	64¼
Baxter	21⅝	21⅝	Hewlett Pk	48⅝	48⅝	Sun Comp	57	56⅝
Beth Steel	21¼	21¼	Honeywell	61⅝	61⅝	TDK	71¼	n.a
Boeing	62⅝	62¼	IC Ind	36¼	35⅝	TRW Inc	43⅝	42⅝
Boise Casc	43½	43	ITT Cp	48¼	49	Teledyne	333¼	331
Borden	54½	53⅝	INCO	27⅝	26¼	Tenneco	47⅝	47½
Brstl Meyr	44	44	Ing Rand Wi	36⅝	36½	Texaco	45⅝	45
BP	49⅝	49½	Inland Steel	38⅝	38⅝	Tex Eastn	25⅝	25⅝
Brunswick	20⅝	20½	IBM	114¼	114¼	Texas Inst	40¼	40¼
Burl Nth	68⅝	67⅝	Int Paper	45⅝	44⅝	Tex Util	28⅝	28¼
CBS	167	166⅝	Irving Bk	69⅝	69⅝	Textron	25½	24⅝
CMS Engy	22	21⅞	Jhsn & Jhsn	84⅝	83¼	Travelers	34⅝	34⅝
CPC Int	50¼	49¾	K Mart	36½	35½	UAL Cp	90⅝	90⅝
CSX Cp	26½	26⅝	Kaisertech	18⅝	18½	USG Cp	7⅝	7⅝
Camp Soup	28⅝	28½	Kerr McGee	37½	36⅝	USX Cp	28⅝	27⅝
Can Pacific	16¾	16½	Kimbrly Clrk	58⅝	57⅝	Unilever Plc	31⅝	31¼
Caterpillar	57	57⅝	Kraft	58⅝	58⅝	Un Carbide	22⅝	22¼
Centrl SW	30¼	30⅝	Kroger	50½	51¼	Un Pac Cp	58⅝	58⅝
Champion	32⅝	32½	LTV Cp	3⅝	3⅝	Unisys Cp	32⅝	32⅝
Chase Man	29⅝	29¼	Litton	73¼	72⅝	Unit Brand	17⅝	17¼
Chem Bank	31¼	31⅝	Lockheed	40⅝	39⅝	Us West	55¼	54¼
Chevron	44¾	43¼	Lone Star	30⅝	30⅝	Utd Tech	37⅝	37¼
Chrysler	22¼	23⅝	Man H'nver	28⅝	28⅝	Unocal	36	35⅝
Citicorp	25½	24½	Manville	2	2	Warn Lamb	74¼	72⅝
Clark Eq	29½	28¼	Mapco	55⅝	55⅝	Wells Far	65¼	64
Coca Cola	42½	42½	Marriott	30⅝	30⅝	Westg El	51⅝	51⅝
Colgate	45⅝	45⅝	Mt Marrieta	41	40⅝	Weyershr	25¼	25⅝
Columb Gas	33¼	33¼	Mesco Cp	25⅝	25⅝	Whirlpool	25	24⅝
Cmb'tn Eng	32½	32⅝	Mcdonalds	47⅝	47⅝	Woolworth	52¼	51¼
Cmwlth Edi	30⅝	30⅝	McDonnell	64½	64⅝	Xerox Cp	54⅝	54⅝
Cons Edis	43¼	42⅝	Mead Cp	44¼	44½	Zenith	21¼	21⅝
Consol Ng	38⅝	37⅝	Merck	58⅝	57⅝			
Cont Data	23	22⅝	Minsta Mng	63	62¼	**CANADIAN PRICES**		
Corning Gl	58⅝	58¼	Mobil	43⅝	42⅝			
Crane	31⅝	30⅝	Monsanto	76⅝	74⅝	Agnco Eag	13⅝	13¼
Curtiss W	49	48¼	Montedison	12⅝	13	Alcan Alum	36⅝	36⅝
Data Genl	19¼	19	Morgan Jp	38⅝	38⅝	Algoma Stl	25.37	25.37
Deere Co	43¼	42¼	Motorola	42⅝	42¼	Can Pacific	20⅝	20⅝
Delta Airl	48⅝	48¼	NCR	57¼	57⅝	Cominco	18¼	18⅝
Detroit Edi	15	15½	NL Indstrs	6⅝	6⅝	Con Bathrst	14½	14¼
Digital Eq	95⅝	94⅝	Nat Md Ent	20⅝	20⅝	Hawk S Can	21⅝	22¼
Disney	63¼	64	Nat Semi	8⅝	8½	Hud Bay M	18⅝	18⅝
Dow Chem	87	86⅝	Norfolk Sth	29⅝	29	Imasco	26	25⅝
Dressr Ind	29⅝	29	NW Bancrp	35¼	34⅝	Imperial Oil	50¼	50⅝
Dupont	82⅝	80⅝	Occid Petl	25¼	25½	Inco	33¼	32⅝
Duke Pwr	44⅝	44½	Ogden Cp	28⅝	28⅝	Royl Trstco	15¼	15⅝
East Kodak	44¼	44⅝	Olin Cp	46⅝	46½	Seagram	67⅝	67
Eaton Cp	76⅝	75¼	PPG Ind	43	42¼	Shelco 'A'	22⅝	42¼
Emerson El	29½	29⅝	Pac Enterp	45	44⅝	Thmsn N 'A'	28¼	28¼
Emery Air	4⅝	4¼	Pac Gas El	17	17	Varity Cp	3.45	3.50
Exxon	45¼	44⅝	Pan Am	2¼	2⅝	WCT	16¼	16⅝
Farah Inc	10⅝	10⅝	Penney JC	48⅝	48⅝	Weston	33	33

ALPHA STOCKS

	Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000
ADT	994	CU	2,997	Laporte	159	Saatchi	200
Abbey	3,319	Cons Gold	797	L&G	1,080	Sainsbury	1,173
Alld-Lyons	711	Cookson	106	Lloyds	1,087	Scot & N	2,350
Amstrad	1,272	Courtaulds	2,439	Lonrho	2,485	Sears	6,378
ASDA	3,190	Dalgety	744	Lucas	1,037	Sedgwick	901
AB Foods	212	Dee	1,583	Magnet	63	Shell	5,368
Argyll	2,419	Dixons	282	M&S	1,845	Siebe	104
BAA	468	ECC	874	Maxwell Cm	713	Slough	309
BET	830	Enterprise	2,687	MEPC	394	Smith & N	835
BTR	7,685	Ferranti	1,159	Metal Box	153	Smith WH	509
BAT	2,401	Fisons	517	Midland	889	Smiths Ind	101
Barclays	1,290	FKI Babck	248	NatWest	754	STC	272
Bass	1,694	Gen Acc	361	Next	2,154	Stan Chart	2,099
Beecham	2,101	GEC	1,545	Nth Food	1,425	Storehse	2,350
Beazer	1,067	Glaxo	2,178	P&O	628	Sun Allnce	281
Bensld SW	21	Globe Inv	70	Pearl	12	T & N	1,144
BICC	509	Glynwed	533	Pearson	411	Tarmac	2,527
Blue Arrow	3,597	Granada	145	Pilkington	1,001	Tate & Lyle	113
Blue Circle	191	Grand Met	2,399	Plessey	5,381	Taylor Wood	n/a
BOC	63	GUS 'A'	130	Polly Peck	621	TSB	574
Boots	2,426	GRE	1,480	Prudential	2,120	Tesco	793
BPB	1,663	GKN	777	Racal	9,155	Thorn EMI	102
Br Aero	1,467	Guinness	7,029	Rk Hovis	1,208	Trafalgar	1,567
Br Airways	1,245	Hamm 'A'	328	Rank	780	THF	8,131
Br Comm	3,014	Hanson	5,206	R&C	209	Ultramar	2,086
Br Gas	9,565	H & C	50	Redland	1,076	Unigate	560
Br Land	453	Hawker	565	Reed	629	Unilever	444
Br Petrol	7,861	Hillsdown	1,442	Reuters	1,264	United Bis	636
Br Telecm	1,025	IMI	524	RMC Gp	886	Utd News	630
Bunzl	559	ICI	501	RTZ	2,021	Wellcome	140
Burmah	124	Inchcape	1,950	R-Royce	8,477	Whitbrd	745
Burton	1,052	Jaguar	385	Rothmn 'B'	632	Williams	323
C&W	565	Lasmo	4,453	Rowntree	n/a	Willis Fab	439
Cadbury	5,658	Ladbroke	1,746	Royal Bank	303	Wimpey G	536
Coats	8,699	Land Sec	638	Royal Ins	1,306	Woolworth	2,484

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STOCK MARKET

Bid hopes add £80m to Cadbury

Almost £80 million was added to the £2.1 billion stock market value of **Cadbury Schweppes**, the soft drinks and confectionery group, yesterday as revived bid hopes continued to tantalize investors.

The price ended the session 12½p higher at 358p, after 365p, as almost 6 million shares changed hands.

Sir Adrian Cadbury, the chairman, and his fellow directors gave a presentation overnight in New York for fund managers at a seminar arranged by Salomon Brothers, the broker. He seems to have made a favourable impression.

With the threat of a bid from General Cinema, the US bottler and cinema chain, which owns an 18 per cent stake still overhanging it, the group has been making stringent efforts to improve efficiency and has met with some success. The market is looking for pre-tax profits in the current year to grow from £176.1 million to £225 million.

But US fund managers seem to be taking the view that they can still benefit from the group's potential with the prospect of a bid thrown in for nothing.

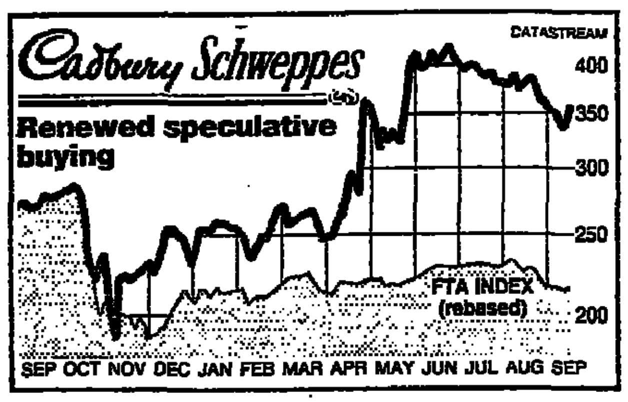
Mr John Mozley, food analyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, says the takeout price for Cadbury is likely to be more than 500p a share. "But if you strip out the prospects of a bid, it looks as if the shares are over-priced", he adds.

Yesterday there was talk that General Cinema was about to sell its holding. Grand Metropolitan, the drinks, hotel and leisure group, has been mentioned as a potential suitor. Once the sale of its Inter-Continental Hotels division is completed it will have the financial muscle to launch such a bid. At these levels Cadbury is valued at almost £2 billion.

GrandMet ended the day 7p up at 485p on a turnover of more than 2 million shares. Dealers claim it may have been offered up to $3 billion (£1.8 billion) for the chain by VHS Realty, the Chicago property and leisure group.

The rest of the equity market spent a lacklustre session although prices managed to close better for choice in thin trading. Dealers reported only minimal buying for the new account which starts on Monday despite some reassuring words on the economy from the Chancellor.

The better-than-expected dividend payout and news of a share split from Shell gave fund managers a small boost but there was little follow through. By the close of business a total of 436 million alpha and beta shares had been traded on Seaq. The FT-SE 100 index traded in narrow limits throughout the day before closing 4.2 up at 1,769.3. The narrower FT Index of 30 shares gained 5.5 at 1,422.0.



Government securities finished with losses of an £⅛ following another hesitant performance from sterling.

One of the biggest casualties of the day was **London International Group**, which closed 20½p lower at 199p following a bearish statement by Mr Alan Woltz, the chairman, at the annual meeting. He warned that profits for the first half of the current year are unlikely to match those of the corresponding period last time.

It now looks as though the market for condoms is slowing after last year's rapid sales increase. Mr Woltz says this year will be affected by destocking, a more modest rate of long-term growth and problems with the quality control of raw materials.

The news came as a surprise to analysts, some of whom had been looking for a 15 per cent growth in profits for the current year compared with last year's figure of £31.50 million. Some brokers like BZW and Hoare Govett have now downgraded their forecast for the current year to about £33 million. Earlier estimates had been as high as £42 million.

Michael Peters, the USM-quoted marketing services group, rose 3p to 136p following full-year figures. The company gave a presentation for 35 institutional investors yesterday to discuss the figures and appears to have made a favourable impression. Dealers say the shares have further to run.

Racal, the Vodafone and defence equipment group, remained in demand following publication of the pathfinder prospectus detailing the sale of shares in Racal Telecommunications Group, the Vodafone company.

The shares closed a further 9p higher at 310p, after 314p, as almost 10 million shares changed hands after brokers continued to purchase the stock for clients anxious to get their names on the company's share register before the end of the account.

This will entitle them to preferential treatment for the proposed Vodafone flotation. Seventy-five per cent of the 200 million share RTG issue will be allotted to shareholders on the basis of one RTG for every 4½ Racal ordinary shares held. The remaining 25 per cent will be allotted to European and US investors.

Dixons, the high street electrical retailer, drifted down 2p to 153p in thin trading.

The company made a good impression at a presentation given by Cazenove, the broker, on Wednesday and is expected to repeat the performance today at a similar presentation in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Woolworth, the B&Q DIY-to-Comet retail chain, which reported a dramatic 159 per cent rise in interim pre-tax profits to £70.3 million on Wednesday, closed 6p lower at 254p despite a strong buy recommendation from Warburg Securities, its broker.

Pleasurama climbed 25p to 224p amid whispers that Mecca Leisure was about to raise its £620 million offer. Mecca shareholders yesterday gave the go-ahead to increase the group's issued share capital by 25 per cent.

But close observers claim that even if Mecca increases its offer to 250p a share, it would result in earnings dilution of at least 20 per cent.

BSR International, the Hong Kong consumer electronics group has been staging something of a recovery this week. Dealers claim the shares have been oversold.

Back in July, the group received a bid approach from an unnamed suitor — widely believed to be Motorola — with the shares touching 105p at one stage. But the talks collapsed and on Monday the shares stood at about the 60p level. After touching 70p first thing, the price eventually closed 2p firmer at 68p.

Corporate Estates, the USM-listed property development group, in which Ensign Trust owns a 22 per cent stake, closed unchanged at 64.5p despite reporting interim pre-tax profits up from £322,989 to £1.19 million.

Michael Clark and
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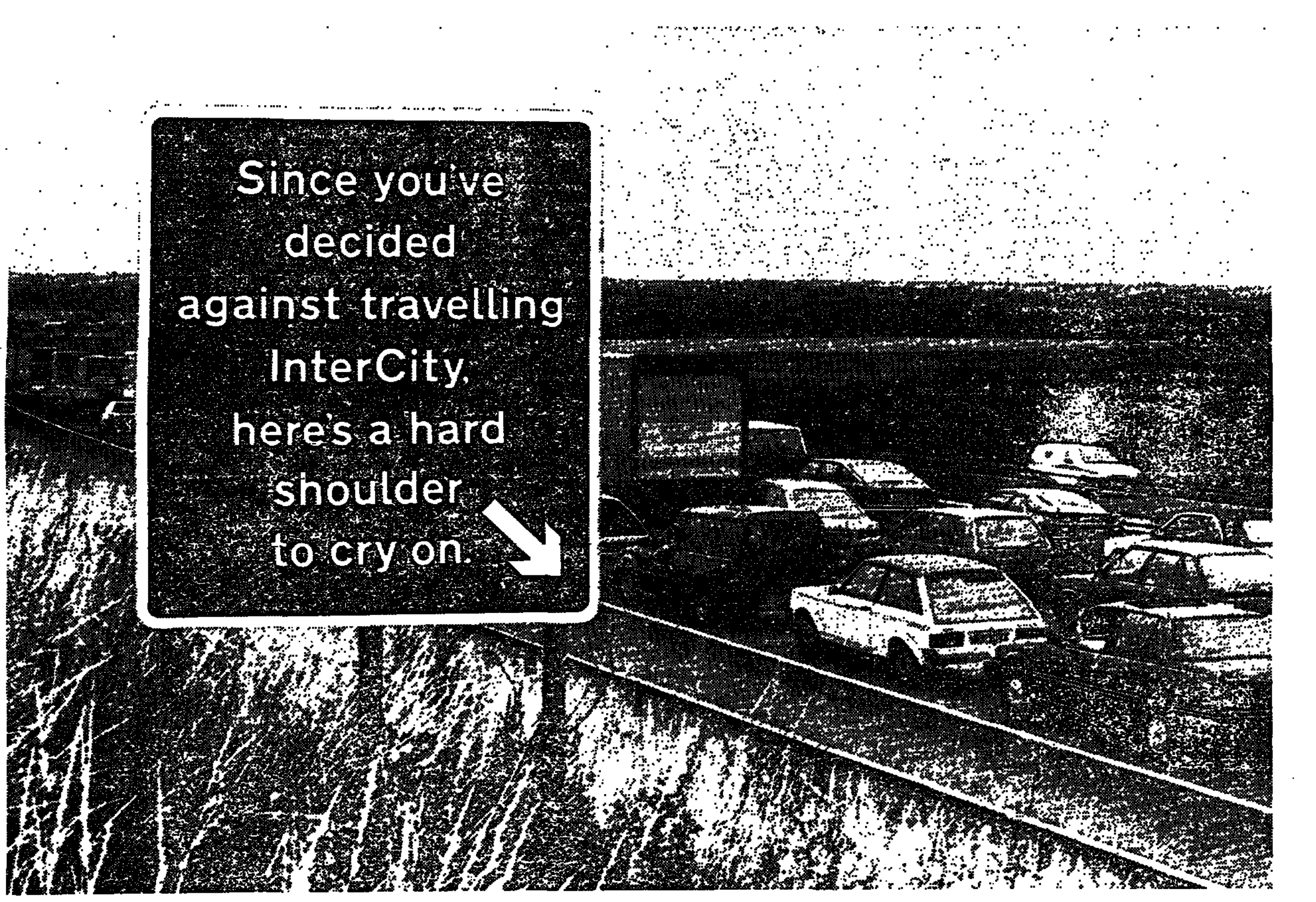
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INTERCITY

Profit collapse revealed at Buckley's Brewery

By Lawrence Lever

Buckley's Brewery, the Welsh brewer which until recently was run by Mr Peter Clowes and Mr Guy von Cramer, has unveiled a loss before tax of £763,000 in long-delayed figures, released yesterday.

The results are the first since Mr Clowes and Mr von Cramer took the company over last October and cover the nine months to end-December, 1987. They compare with profits before tax of £1.1 million in the year to March 1987. No final dividend is recommended.

Buckley's shares, which have been suspended at 160p, pending the release of the results, are due to return from suspension this morning, at the company's request.

The principal reason for the fall is an exceptional item of just over £1 million taken above the line.

This includes compensation of £269,000 paid to former directors who resigned following last year's takeover, and £579,000 provisions taken into the profit and loss account for the diminution in value of an hotel owned by Buckley's which it was planning to sell.

The company also announced that the appointment of Sir Alun Talfan Davies as chairman of Buckley's has been found to be invalid.

This is because he is over 70 years old and the company's articles say that a shareholders' resolution was required to appoint him.

He was mistakenly appointed without a resolution.

The company's annual report and accounts, also released yesterday, show that Buckley's purchased over £1 million in listed shares in the second half of October 1987, an unusual activity for the company, and has suffered a loss of £144,000 on them.

The company says that some of this loss has been recovered and that Buckley's share buying activities have been discontinued.

The accounts also show that the company lent £272,000 to Bracken Nominees Ltd, a company of which Mr Guy von Cramer was a director at the time of the loan. This money has since been repaid with interest. However, £50,000 worth of shares purchased by Buckley's have been caught up in a freezing order obtained against Bracken by the liquidators of Barlow Clowes, the crashed investment group.

The figures also include a £3.4 million revaluation surplus, representing the increase in value of the company's fixed assets at December 31, 1987.

The future of Buckley's as an independent company is hanging in the balance, as Singer & Friedlander, the merchant bank, is selling off a 53 per cent stake.

The merchant bank is selling the stake to recover a debt, believed to be around £8 million, which was owed to it by a company called Brodian.

Brodian was the vehicle used by Mr Clowes and Mr von Cramer to bid for Buckleys.

About 50 parties have expressed interest in the Buckley's stake and a prospectus is expected to be sent out by Singer within the next fortnight.

£5.6m telephone acquisitions

By Our City Staff

National Telecommunications, the fast-growing producer of telephone systems which came to the market in July, yesterday announced the acquisition of two companies for £5.6 million.

Solid State Systems, based in Atlanta, Georgia, a producer of telecommunications equipment, which will be bought for £3.3 million, made a loss of $763,000 (£455,000) during the year to June 30. Net assets were $2.56 million. However, the company has traded profitably since the beginning of the year, according to NT.

The other company is TVC General, a producer of telecommunications systems aimed at the small business sector. It is currently one of NT's main competitors in the distribution market. The seller is Granada Group, the leisure and communications company.

For the year ended March 31, TVC reported an operating profit (before interest) of £501,000 on turnover of £8.19 million. For the three previous years the company reported losses.

Seeking acquisitions: Richard Allan, the chairman of Perry

Perry up 47% in spite of estate agency losses

By Martin Waller

Perry Group, the motor dealer, raised pre-tax profits 47 per cent to £3.75 million in the six months to end-June.

The figures were achieved despite the inclusion of around £200,000 of losses from its estate agency chain, which has now been sold.

An extraordinary credit of £2 million will be taken "below the line" at the year-end in connection with the sale, said Mr Richard Allan, the chairman and chief executive.

The company has spent £11 million on new dealerships since June 1987, and acquisitions will continue in the second half. Gearing was currently about 40 per cent.

Although no firm commitments have been made, the group is interested in entering the US market.

New car sales rose w36 per cent in the first half before the traditional August rush, which broke all records this year and was reflected in group sales to date. But Mr Allan was cautious about the last quarter, given the increase in interest rates.

The half-way dividend is raised to 2.75p, from 2p, to redress the balance between interim and final payments.

Analysts are now looking for profits of around £8 million in the current year.

John Lewis issues spending warning

By Rosemary Unsworth,
Retail Affairs Correspondent

John Lewis, the department store and supermarket group which is effectively owned by its staff, has pushed up profits faster than sales in the first half despite less brisk trading conditions in central London. But Mr Peter Lewis, the chairman, has given a warning about the impact of the Government's attempts to rein in consumer spending.

Pretax profits and the surplus for the partnership bonus rose by 15 per cent to £50.8 million while sales advanced by 12 per cent to £893.2 million from £798.2 million in the six months to July 30.

Turnover in the department stores rose by £40 million and that of the Waitrose supermarkets by £50 million. Wholesale and manufacturing sales, from the Lancashire textile spinners and weavers acquired last February and the Carlisle, Cumbria, textile printer, amounted to £15 million against £10 million.

"The second half has started well. After six weeks, sales are 11 per cent ahead of last year. At that sort of rate we could look forward with confidence to yet another satisfactory year. And so it may prove but we are being told almost hourly that the cure for the imbalance in the country's economy is to be less spending in the shops as soon as possible — 'dampening consumer demand' as the politicians unattractively put it," said Mr Lewis.

He added that there was still uncertainty about the measures the Government may take to bring this about, "all of which may have some effect on our results for 1988."

COMPANY BRIEFS

EPWIN GROUP (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.60 (£0.90)m *EPS:* 2.9 (4.9)p *Div:* 1.6 (1.6)p	Turnover £16.62 (£13.44)m. Chairman reports continued optimism with company taking advantage of market conditions.
MAGNOLIA GROUP (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.57 (£0.56)m *EPS:* 6.38 (6.29)p *Div:* 1.55 (1.4)p	Turnover £9.60 (£8.62)m. Factory production being transferred to Loughborough. Move expected to improve efficiency.
SALE TILNEY (Int) *Pre-tax:* £2.16 (£2.22)m *EPS:* 5.7 (7.0)p *Div:* 4.5 (4.0)p	Turnover £37.21 (£42.38)m. Due to acquisition profit before tax for full year will be marginally less than expected.
MCGLAUGHIN & HRVY(Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.81 (£0.67)m *EPS:* 12.5 (11.2)p *Div:* 3.0 (2.5)p	Turnover £43.78 (£25.13)m. Trading at record level and company is assured of further progress in 1989.
CORPORATE EST(Int) *Pre-tax:* £1.19 (£0.32)m *EPS:* 2.33 (0.90)p *Div:* 1.25 (0.30)p	Turnover £20.95 (£2.59)m. Business has progressed in all areas with further developments expected for second half.
LONDON UTD. INV. (Int) *Pre-tax:* £4.17 (£5.33)m *EPS:* 4.42 (5.90)p *Div:* 3.0 (3.0)p	Company to consilidate and create new products. Although cautious at present is optimistic for the future.
GARTON ENG. (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.56 (£0.34)m *EPS:* 9.84 (6.54)p *Div:* 1.5 (1.25)p	Turnover £10.34 (£7.49)m. Present level of activity is expected to be maintained. Year results should reflect this.
MANDERS HLDGS. (Int) *Pre-tax:* *EPS:* 6.34 (5.20)p *Div:* 1.80 (1.60)p	Turnover £28.96 (£29.37)m. Chairman reports good start to second-half sales. Encouraging prospects for remainder of year
GEORGE INGHAM (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.22 (£0.19)m *EPS:* 6.93 (7.75)p *Div:* 1p (1p)	Turnover £3.68 (£2.57)m. Future trend difficult to forecast. Directors hope for wool market to stabilize.
TAVENER RUTLEDGE (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.02 (£0.10)m *EPS:* 0.81 (3.53)p *Div:* nil	Current trading encouraging but with 30% export sales outlook has to be viewed with caution.
FINLAY PACKAGING (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.56 (£0.54)m *EPS:* 4.26 (4.06)p *Div:* 0.75 (0.75)p	Turnover £4.91 (£4.51)m. Company expects to maintain final dividend at last year's level.
J. HEWITT (Int) *Pre-tax:* £0.12 (£0.24)m *EPS:* 1.7 (3.9)p *Div:* 1 (1)p	Turnover £4.81 (£4.54)m. The pattern of higher sales and profits in second half of year could be repated in 1988.
MEMORY COMPs (Fin) *Pre-tax:* £0.31 (£0.61)m *EPS:* 0.54 (1.79)p *Div:* nil	Pursuing its objective to be a major systoms integrator and software supplier. Group faces the future with confidence.

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
September 12	September 23	December 8	December 19

Call options were taken out on: 15/9/88 Sears, Oliver Resources, Trusthouse Forte Wts, BP new, Owners Abroad, Low & Bonar, Maribex, Standard & Chartered, Bass, WH Smith 'A', Butte Mining, Mountleigh, H Young, Cadburys.

Puts & Calls: Oliver Resources, Sears.

Bellwinch up to £7.5m

Bellwinch, the house-building group, lifted pre-tax profits by 48 per cent to £7.54 million on turnover up 36 per cent to £42.44 million for the year ended June 30.

The company expects a good performance during the current year, although the bulk of the profits will arrive in the second half because of delays in receiving detailed planning consents for a number of building sites.

Further growth will be achieved upon the quality of profits rather than unit output, the company added. Earnings per share rose by 29.2 per cent to 13.7p on a fully diluted basis. A final dividend of 2.65p per share was announced, making a total of 3.75p (1p).

North Sea go-ahead

The Government has approved the first new North Sea oil projects since the Piper Alpha disaster, giving the go-ahead for the development of the Mobil Camelot gas field, the Amoco Indefatigable D gas field and the Hamilton Brothers Crawford oil field.

Camelot and Indefatigable D will be unmanned gas production platforms, while Crawford will be a floating production system with a small crew.

Mr Peter Morrison, the Energy Minister, said yesterday that new projects will be approved provided the operators comply with any new safety rules that may emerge following the official inquiry into the Piper Alpha incident.

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1988 Interim Report

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Results

Pre-tax profit for the first 24 weeks of 1988 was £63 million (1987 £60 million), after a charge of £14 million for restructuring arising from reorganisation and severance costs in a planned UK workforce reduction (1987 £2 million). This was achieved after a reduced charge for net research and development costs of £77 million (1987 £84 million).

Interest received amounted to £6 million, against a charge of £8 million last year, reflecting a strong cash position; net cash balances at mid-year were £121 million.

Prospects

Significant new business has been taken in both the civil and military aero sectors resulting in an increase to £3.4 billion in the order book (end-1987 £2.8 billion); further opportunities continue to present themselves.

Dividend

The directors have declared an interim dividend of 2.10p per ordinary share. This will be paid on 5 December 1988 to those shareholders on the register on 21 October 1988.

Sir Francis Tombs

UNAUDITED GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
for the 24 weeks to 18 June, 1988

	Notes	First 24 weeks 1988 Unaudited £m	First 24 weeks 1987 Unaudited £m	Year to 31 December 1987 Audited £m
Turnover	1	893	899	2,059
Operating profit	1	148	152	347
Research and development (net)		(77)	(84)	(187)
Profit before interest		71	68	160
Net interest receivable (payable)		6	(8)	(4)
Profit before exceptional item		77	60	156
Exceptional item – restructuring costs		(14)	–	–
Profit before taxation		63	60	156
Taxation		(8)	(8)	(21)
Profit after taxation		55	52	135
Minority interests		–	–	(1)
Profit attributable to shareholders		55	52	134
Dividends – Interim proposed		(17)	(14)	(42)
Retained profit		38	38	92
Earnings per ordinary share	3			
Net basis		6.9p	7.9p	18.2p
Net basis excluding exceptional item		8.6p	7.9p	18.2p

NOTES

1. Turnover	1988	%	1987	%	Year 1987	%
Civil Aero	406	46	405	45	953	46
Military Aero	361	40	367	41	820	40
Industrial and Marine	51	6	54	6	136	7
Other activities	75	8	73	8	150	7
	893	100	899	100	2,059	100
Operating Profit		% on Turnover		% on Turnover		% on Turnover
Civil Aero	72	18	85	21	194	20
Military Aero	64	18	58	16	133	16
Industrial and Marine	8	16	5	10	11	8
Other activities	4	5	4	5	9	6
	148	17	152	17	347	17
Ongoing restructuring costs, charged against operating profit, were	–		(2)		(7)	

2. The Group produces accounts on a four weekly basis. As income and expenditure do not accrue evenly throughout the year, the results for any particular 24 weeks may not be representative of the whole year.
3. Earnings per ordinary share on the net basis are calculated by dividing the profit attributable to shareholders by the weighted average number of ordinary shares – 801 million (1987 first 24 weeks 659 million, full year 738 million) in issue during the period.
4. The comparative figures for the year to December 31, 1987 have been abridged from the Group's accounts for that year, which received an unqualified auditor's report and which have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies.

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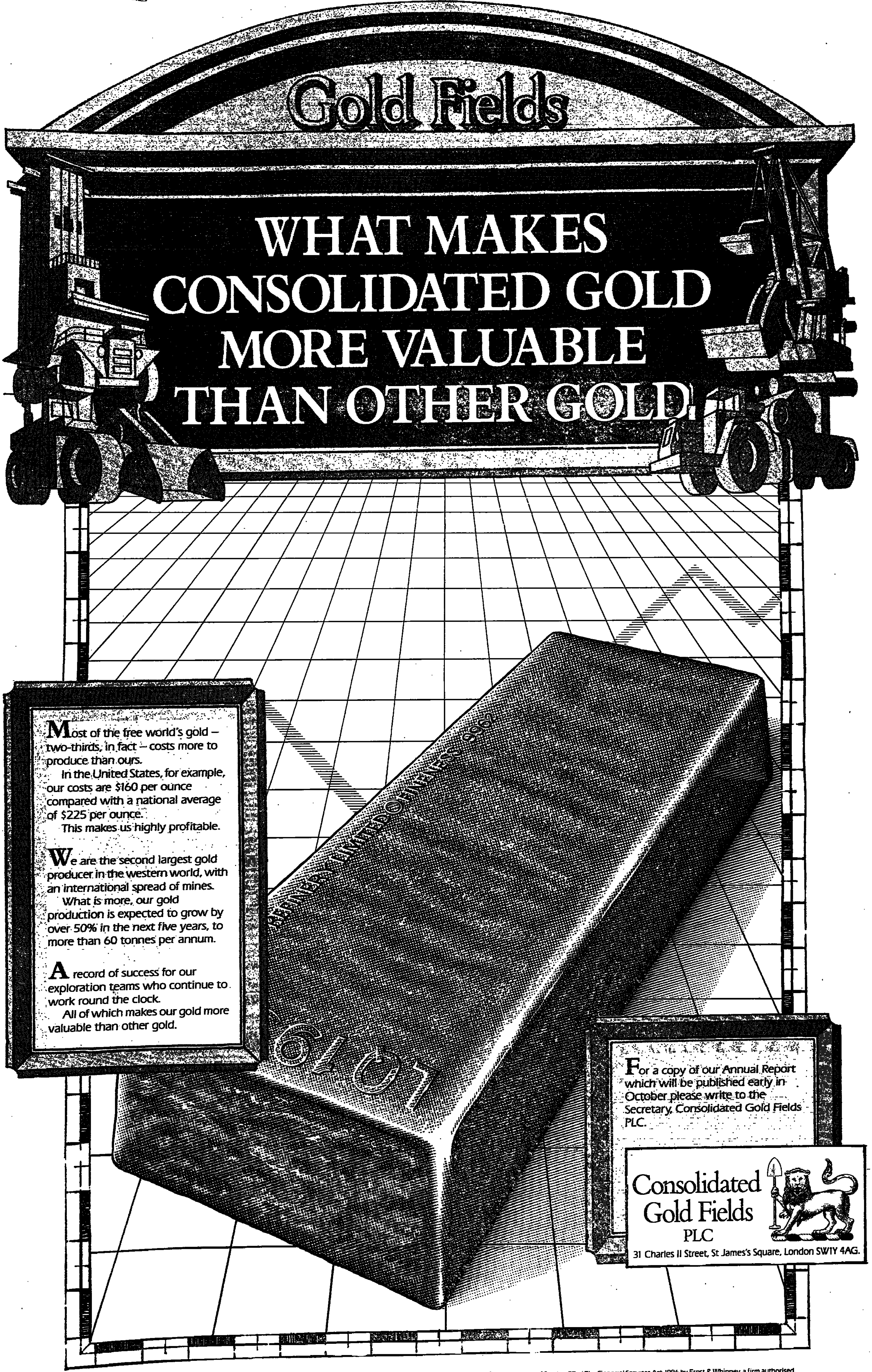

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Higher interest curbing inflation, Banham says

By Colin Narbrough

The Confederation of British Industry "sees early evidence" that the Chancellor's use of higher interest rates to stem inflation is working, and wants them to be given more time to brake house prices, Mr John Banham, the director general of the CBI, said yesterday.

He said after a session of the organization's ruling council that the prime evidence was to be seen in the housing market, where a change of sentiment had already occurred.

Mr Banham noted that house price inflation had increased the book value of the country's housing stock by £100 billion over the past year, while the value of companies had fallen.

By comparison, manufacturing industry's investments amounted to an annual £25 *billion.*

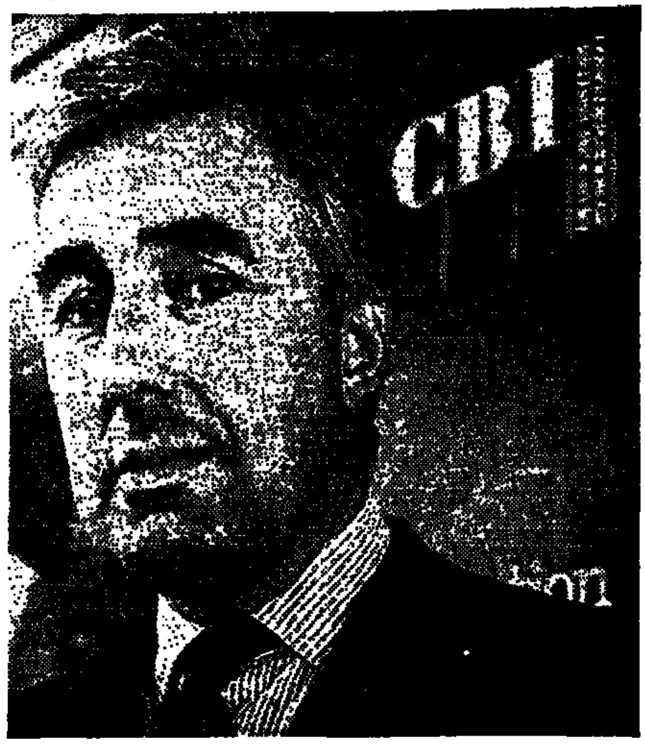
The CBI has repeatedly urged the Government to foster long-term investment to make the economy competitive, rather than encourage more consumer spending.

It fears that runaway house prices encourage house-owners to spend more on credit, and make it more difficult for skilled labour to find homes, particularly in the south-east of England.

Addressing a telecommunications conference yesterday, Mr Banham said that a 15 per cent fall in the cost of houses in London would have a "dramatic and beneficial effect" on the flow of commercial traffic in the region.

But he refused to be drawn over whether CBI policy was to make house prices drop, beyond saying that the organization would like to see the cost of living in London becoming "more affordable for more people." Apart from inflation, Mr Banham saw other economic indicators moving in the right direction and said that business remained "in good health."

But he voiced a concern about the risk of high interest rates having a knock-on effect on sterling, which could reduce exports and company profits.



"Business in good health": John Banham, head of the CBI

Dealers in Ecu T-bills are named

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

The Bank of England yesterday named 29 firms which will act as market-makers in the new European currency unit-denominated Treasury bills.

The 29 are the clearing banks, some leading European banks and other large international money market players. They have agreed to support the Bank's monthly Ecu-bill tenders and act as market-makers.

The first tender for the bills will be on October 11, when a range of maturities will be offered, probably of one, three and six months. Tenders must be for a minimum of Ecu500,000 (£330,000) and in multiples of Ecu100,000. It is planned to develop a market worth between Ecu1 billion and Ecu2 billion.

Bank of England officials said that the aim of the market is to give the Government greater flexibility in its borrowing, as well as providing the first tradable Ecu paper of sovereign quality.

Although the effect of the new bills will be to boost Britain's official reserves, officials stressed that this was not the main purpose. Buyers for the new bills are expected to include overseas central banks and international institutions. The yield on the bills is likely to be below the London interbank bid rate.

HKSE threatens to cancel nine 'unsuitable' listings

From Stephen Leather, Hong Kong

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange has launched a clampdown on companies which it says are no longer suitable for public listing.

The exchange has listed nine companies which it says do not qualify for listing because of the size or nature of their business or because there are not enough shares in public hands.

Mr Robert Fell, the chief executive, has given the companies six months to comply with listing requirements. He said any changes to the companies must be approved by the existing share holders, "failing which the controlling shareholders have been requested to privatie the company by making a cash offer to the minorities rather than incur a cancellation of the listing." If the companies want to be listed in future they will be treated as new applications. The nine are First City Investments, Gulf Arabian, Lawe William Enterprises, Mega Pacific, Paramount Development, Siu King Cheung Hing Yip Company, Uniworld Investments, Wah May Investment Company, and Wan Pao Navigation Company.

Mr Fell said any other companies considered no *longer* suitable for listing will also be suspended from trading.

In addition, the exchange is going to cancel the listing of shell companies.

The exchange is banning the issue of "B" shares, issued at a fraction of the price of ordinary shares but with the same voting rights. Last year the Standing Committee on Company Law Reform recommended that "B" shares only be approved in exceptional cases.

The committee's decision came after the Jardine Matheson chairman, Mr Simon Keswick, and Mr Li Ka-shing, of Hutchison Whampoa, said they planned to issue "B" shares. They were followed by a spate of planned issues by Chinese tycoons and a crisis of confidence followed.

Rate rises in G7 'are essential'

From Joe Joseph, Tokyo

Mr Satoshi Sumita, Governor of the Bank of Japan, said there is no sign of a relaxation in the spirit of the Louvre Accord, despite interest rate rises in Britain, the US, West Germany and other nations.

Mr Sumita told the annual meeting of the Securities Dealers Association of Japan yesterday that recent rises in discount rates reflected a common understanding among members of the Group of Seven that stable prices are essential for economic growth and to rectify external imbalance.

He said: "The rises in the official discount rates and flexible open market operations were to forestall overshooting of their economies and concern about inflation.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES	
BMSS (118p)	118
Bucknall Aust (110p)	118
Builder Gp (125p)	161 +1
Caldwell Inv	48
Christie Grp (145p)	165
Colroy (150p)	143
Computer People	194
Erostin Group (165p)	181 +1
European Colour	25½ −1
Exmoor Dual Inv	39
Heritage (95p)	148 +5
Herring Son (150p)	143
Hi-Tech Sports	145 +2
Jackson Group	110
Lincat Group (115p)	158 +2
Lowndes Queensway	75 +½
Nat Telecom	141
Palmerston Hldgs	200
Rentaminster	61 −1
Rockfort	113
Saunderson Elec (130p)	145
Savills (125p)	120
SCRcorp	£19⅞ +⅞
Severfield-R (80p)	93
Sonic Tape (15p)	11½
Steetley	327 −1
Tamaris	58 −2
Tams (John) (80p)	91
Thorntons (125p)	128 +2
Zurich Group	66 −4

RIGHTS ISSUES	
Arley Hldgs N/P	3
Chemex Intl N/P	2½
Creighton Lab N/P	100
F&H Gp N/P	6
Five Oaks Inv N/P	1½
Jermyn Inv N/P	*200 +50*
Leisuretime N/P	2
Lynx Tech N/P	10 −1
Micro Rep N/P	30
Perkins Food N/P	⅛ −¼

(Issue price in brackets).

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Alld Lyon	390	22	33	42	8	15	17
(*400)	420	7	17	25	24	30	32
	460	1½	7	13	62	63	65
Bass	700	60	70	83	5	13	18
(*749)	750	25	37	53	18	33	38
	800	5	17	30	55	68	70
Brit Air	140	16	20	23	2	4½	7
(*152)	160	4½	7	13	12	16	19
	180	1	3	-	30	31	-
Brit Com	220	10	16	22	8	13	15
(*215)	240	3	7	12	25	28	30
	260	2	4	7	43	45	47
Brit Gas	160	13	19	21	2	4½	6½
(*168)	180	2½	7½	9½	12½	15	17
	200	½	3	4½	32	32	32
BP	220	27	35	37	1	3½	6½
(*245)	240	11	19	22½	5	8½	13½
	260	2½	8½	11½	17½	18	26
Cons Gold	950	105	155	190	25	47	60
(*1042)	1000	77	130	160	43	67	83
	1100	39	77	105	110	120	135
Courtauld	300	18	29	38	7	13	15
(*308)	330	5	14	22	26	30	32
	360	1	6	12	55	55	55
Com Union	330	15	30	36	11	17	22
(*326)	360	6	15	22	34	36	42
	390	2	7	12	64	64	68
C & W	330	40	50	63	2	9	11
(*363)	360	17	30	40	9½	18	25
	390	4	17	25	30	33	40
GEC	140	21	25	28	1	3½	6
(*156)	160	5½	9	14	5½	9	14
	180	1	2½	7	24	26	27
GKN	300	22	31	38	4	9	15
(*313)	330	6	14	20	20	23	30
	360	1	6½	8½	49	50	54
Grand Met	420	72	-	-	2	-	-
(*484)	460	35	53	57	6	12	16
	500	12	28	37	23	30	35
	550	1½	11	18	70	70	72
ICI	900	145	168	-	1	5	-
(*1025)	950	90	127	137	4	13	25
	1000	54	89	100	13	25	45
	1100	8	37	48	77	80	85
Jaguar	240	12	23½	32	7	13	19
(*242)	260	4	13	20	21	26	29
	280	2	7	12	40	40	44
	300	1	3½	7	60	60	64
Land Sec	500	55	67	80	2	8	14
(*544)	550	18	33	47	16	25	28
	600	4	14	23	57	58	60
M & S	140	21	25	28	1	3	4
(*158)	160	6	11	17	7	10	12
	180	1½	4	8	23	25	26
R-Royce	120	11½	17	21	2½	4½	6½
(*129)	130	4½	10	14	6	9	10
	140	2	5	10	14	16	17
STC	240	28	38	42	2	6	9
(*263)	260	14	23	29	7	12	18
	280	5	13	18	19	21	27
Sainsbury	200	10	16	23	5	9	12
(*202)	220	2	6	11	20	19	21
	240	1	3	-	39	39	-
	260	½	1	-	58	59	-
Shell	*950*	73	95	108	9	20	40
(*1014)	1000	30	63	77	30	40	70
	1100	7	24	33	112	112	130
Storehse	180	16	22	28	7	12	15
(*183)	200	7	13	17	19	24	26
	220	2½	7	12	38	40	40
Trafalgar	280	30	34	38	3	9	12
(*304)	300	15	20	26	9	17	18
	330	3	8	14	28	36	38
TSB	90	11	14	15	1	2½	3
(*98)	100	3	6	8	4	5½	7
	110	1	2½	4	13	13	14
Utd Bisc	260	18	25	31	4	9	10
(*270)	280	8	15	21	13	18	20
Ultramar	215	23	32	42	8	15	19
(*227)	235	13	23	29	18	23	29
	255	8	15	20	33	34	42
Woolworth	260	9	20	27	11	17	18
(*254)	280	4	9	17	28	27	30
	300	2	7	12	43	48	45

	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Amstrad	200	9½	19	28	5	11	15
(*204)	220	2½	11	19	20	22	26
	240	1	6	11	37	38	40
Barclays	360	40	52	-	1	5	-
(*394)	385	9	28	-	6	16	-
	420	1½	8	-	35	37	-
Beecham	420	39	48	61	1	7	10½
(*455)	460	7	23	37	9½	22	27
	500	1	8	20	48	50	51
Boots	200	11	21	27	2	9	12
(*209)	220	2	9	18	13	19	22
	240	1	5	10	32	36	38
BTR	260	24	29	38	1	5	7
(*284)	280	4½	16	25	8	12½	14½
	300	¼	6	16	23	25	27
Blue Circ	390	32	42	54	2	9	13
(*421)	420	9	23	36	14	20	28
	460	2	12	22	48	50	52
	500	1	5	11	88	88	88
Dixons	160	2½	12	17	10	13	16
(*153)	180	1	4	8	29	30	31
	200	½	1½	3	48	50	51

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Glaxo	900	130	145	170	1	11	29
(*1018)	950	80	100	135	3	25	37
	1000	37	68	100	12	40	58
	1100	3	25	-	85	103	[illegible]
Hanson	130	14½	18½	19	½	2½	3
(*144)	140	4½	10½	12½	1½	5½	6½
	160	½	2	4	17	18	19
Hawker	460	50	60	77	2	6	10
(*505)	500	15	35	53	7	18	29
	550	1	17	28	43	50	59
Hillsdown	260	9	18	28	5	10	12
(*253)	280	2	9	18	19	19	21
	300	½	4	10	39	39	45
Lonrho	220	38	45	-	1	2	-
(*260)	240	22	30	35	1	6	10
	260	6	18	24	6	14	19
Midland	390	16	33	43	3	10	17
(*401)	420	1½	15	22	20	23	32
	460	1	4	8	60	60	63
Sears	120	10	17	21½	2½	8	10½
(*128)	130	5	11½	17	8	13	16
	140	2	7½	12	16	19½	21
Tesco	140	2	7	11	8	11	11
(*134)	160	½	1½	5	28	28	28
	180	½	1	2	48	48	48
Thorn EMI	600	20	42	55	8	18	25
(*613)	650	5	19	32	42	48	52
	700	2	10	17	87	92	92
THF	220	29	38	43	1½	5	9
(*248)	240	13½	25	30	5	12½	18
	260	5	14½	20	17	21	28
Unilever	420	43	54	68	1	6	10
(*458)	460	9	25	40	8	21	24
	500	1	10	21	41	41	46
Wellcome	460	24	42	58	2½	14	18
(*479)	500	4	21	38	24	34	37
	550	¼	7½	19	73	72	75

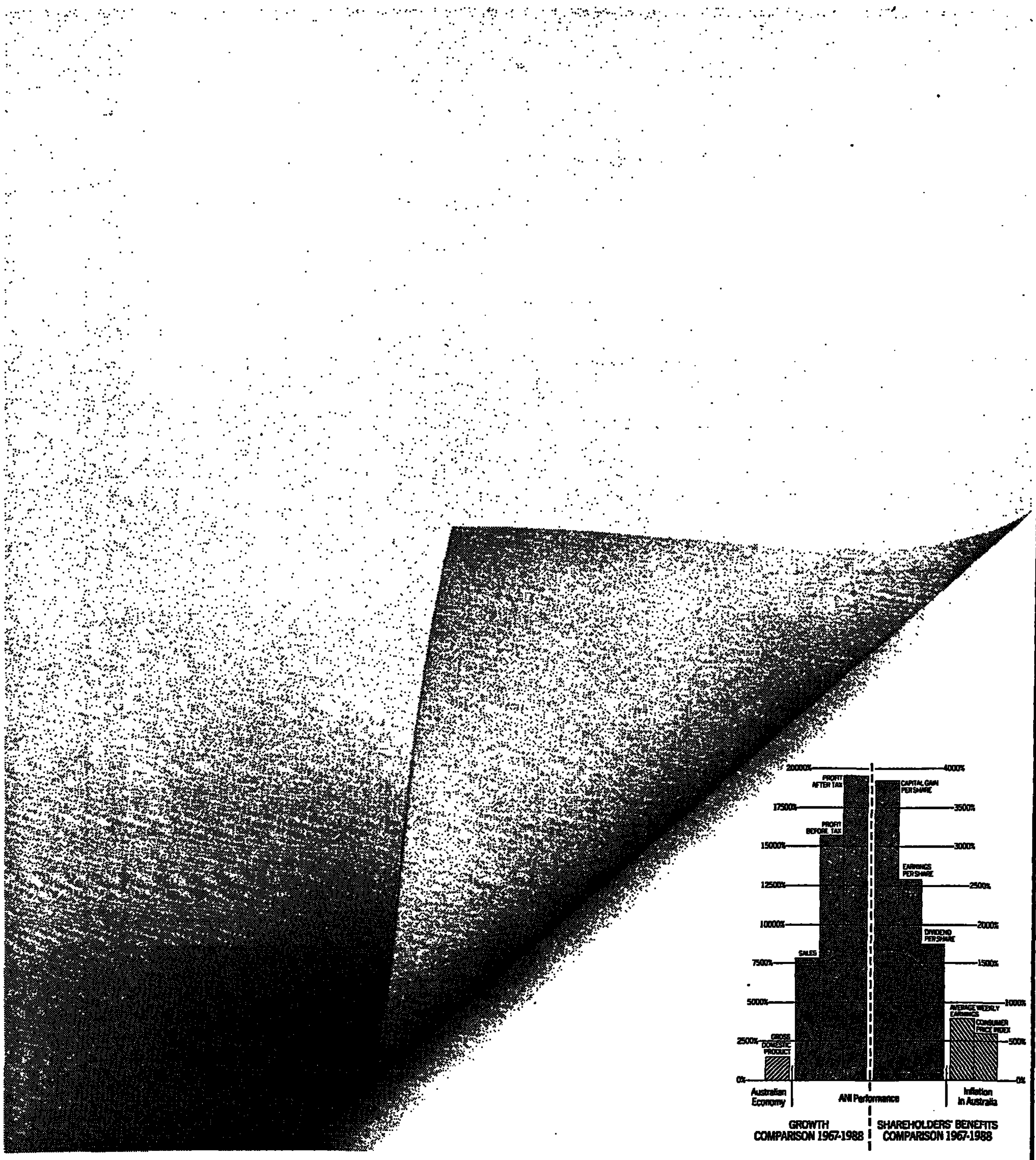
	Series	Sep	Nov	Jan	Sep	Nov	Jan
RHM	360	27	40	45	7	13	18
(*381)	390	15	28	35	22	25	32
	420	6	16	20	43	43	45

	Series	Nov	Feb	May	Nov	Feb	May
BAA	265	6½	-	-	15	-	-
(*254)	280	2½	7½	15	27	30	33
	300	1	3½	8	47	48	50
Brit Aero	420	42	59	-	7	13	-
(*456)	460	17½	33	44	24	30	42
	500	*5½*	*17½*	*26*	*58*	*60*	73
	550	2½	8½	13	105	107	112
BAT Ind	390	53	65	73	3	8	12
(*440)	420	29	43	52	12	15	22
	460	10	23	28	35	40	44
Brit Tele	220	20	24	30	3	6	8
(*238)	240	7	13	18	12	16	19
	260	2	6	10	28	30	32
Cadbury	330	42	57	63	10	13	17
(*359)	360	27	38	43	24	26	32
	390	14	23	30	43	45	58
	420	6	17	20	67	70	72
Guinness	280	38	47	-	2	3	-
(*316)	300	20	32	38	6	10	13
	330	5	16	21	22	24	30
	360	1	7	9	52	52	54
Ladbroke	390	52	60	-	3	6	-
(*436)	420	29	38	45	12	16	17
	460	8	19	24	35	38	40
LASMO	500	75	105	120	18	30	35
(*582)	550	43	75	85	38	45	55
	600	25	48	60	65	70	77
Pilkington	180	23	26	32	3	5	9
(*194)	200	9	14	20	11	14	18
	220	3½	8	11	28	32	34
	240	1½	4	6	48	50	50
Plessey	140	18	21	25	3	6	8
(*152)	160	6½	10	14	14	15	18
	180	2	5	8	31	32	33
P & O	500	42	58	65	9	14	20
(*539)	550	12	28	38	32	38	45
	600	4	13	22	77	78	85
Prudential	160	5	7½	9½	12	13	14
(*155)	170	1	-	-	20	-	-
	180	1	3	5	30	30	31
Racal	280	38	51	61	6	11	15
(*310)	300	25	38	47	12	19	22
	330	11	27	33	28	37	38
RTZ	390	47	65	77	5	12	17
(*432)	420	27	43	57	18	23	30
	460	10	24	36	37	42	50
Vaal Reefs	60	6	10	13	4½	7	9
(*$62)	70	2	4½	7	10	14	16
	80	1	2½	3	19	23	25
Tr 12%	106	1 7/16	1½	-	19/32	¾	-
1995	108	11/32	¾	-	1⅛	1½	-
(*107)	110	⅛	5/32	-	3 5/16	3 3/32	-
	112	1/16	1/16	-	5 3/16	5 3/16	-

FT-SE INDEX (*1788)

Series	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1700	88	87	95	108	6	21	30	38
1750	27	50	63	78	19	35	48	57
1800	6	24	35	60	52	63	75	82
1850	1½	9	21	32	97	103	108	115
1900	½	3	10	19	147	148	150	150
1950	½	1½	5	—	197	198	200	—
2000	½	¼	3	—	247	248	250	—

September 15, 1988 Total: 44226 Calls 31835 Puts 12385 FT-SE: Calls 1579 Puts 1518
*Underlying security price.



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The "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Public Limited Company

Interim Dividend 1988

Notice is hereby given that a balance of the Register will be struck on Thursday, 6th October, 1988 for the preparation of warrants for an Interim Dividend for the year 1988 of 21·5p per 25p Ordinary share payable on 10th November, 1988.

For transferees to receive this dividend, their transfers must be lodged with the Company's Registrar, Lloyds Bank Plc, Registrar's Department, Goring-by-Sea, Worthing, West Sussex, BN12 6DA, not later than 3.00 p.m. on 6th October, 1988.

SHARE WARRANTS TO BEARER

The Coupon to be presented for the above dividend will be No. 179 which must be deposited for examination at Lloyds Bank Plc, Registrar's Department, Issue Section, 11, Bishopsgate, London EC2N 3LB, at least five clear days before the payment date or may be surrendered through MM. Lazard Fréres, Paris.

Proposed Capitalisation Issue

Notice is also given that, subject to the necessary resolution *being passed* at an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) of the Company to be held on Wednesday, 7th December, 1988, there will be a capitalisation issue of Ordinary shares. If the recommendation is approved, two new Ordinary shares will be issued in respect of each Ordinary share held by shareholders on the Register at close of business on 8th December, 1988. The additional shares will carry the same rights as existing Ordinary shares but will not qualify for any dividends declared or paid before the conclusion of the EGM.

Further details and Notice of the EGM will be issued on or about 10th November, 1988.

SHARE WARRANTS TO BEARER

The Coupon to be presented will be No. 180 and full instructions to the holders of Share Warrants to Bearer will be published in "The Financial Times" on Friday, 9th December, 1988.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Shell Centre,
London, SE1 7NA
15th September, 1988

V.A. Wadham
Company Secretary

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STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Modest gains

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began September 5. Dealings end today. §Contango day September 19. Settlement day September 26.
§Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. *Where one price is quoted, it is a middle price.* Changes, yields and price earnings ratios are based on middle prices. (aa) denotes Alpha Stocks.
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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	De La Rue	Industrials A-D	
2	Brent Walker	Leisure	
3	Br Petroleum p/p	Oil,Gas	
4	Beattie (James) 'A'	Drapery,Stores	
5	Whitecroft	Industrials S-Z	
6	Micro Focus	Electricals	
7	Midsummer	Leisure	
8	Parkfield	Industrials L-R	
9	Caledonia	Shipping	
10	Charter Cons	Industrials A-D	
11	Watts Blake	Building,Roads	
12	Greene King	Breweries	
13	Wagon Ind	Industrials S-Z	
14	Morrison (W)	Foods	
15	Goal Pet	Oil,Gas	
16	Priest Marians	Property	
17	Harlewood Foods	Foods	
18	Vickers	Industrials S-Z	
19	Church	Drapery,Stores	
20	Arncliffe	Building,Roads	
21	Glynwed (aa)	Industrials E-K	
22	Ford Motor	Motors,Aircraft	
23	Scot & New (aa)	Breweries	
24	Clark (Matthew)	Breweries	
25	Waterford Glass	Industrials S-Z	
26	Frogmore	Property	
27	Lon & Metro	Property	
28	DRG	Paper,Print,Adv	
29	First Nat Finance	Banks,Discount	
30	LandLeis	Leisure	
31	Barlow Rand	Industrials A-D	
32	Bolton	Textiles	
33	Century	Oil,Gas	
34	Quadrant Group	Leisure	
35	High-Point	Industrials E-K	
36	Morgan Grenfell	Banks,Discount	
37	Br Mohair	Textiles	
38	Aus New Z	Banks,Discount	
39	P & O Dfd (aa)	Shipping	
40	AIM	Industrials A-D	
41	Garton Eng	Industrials E-K	
42	Savoy Hotels 'A'	Drapery,Stores	
43	Beacon Gp	Electricals	
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BRITISH FUNDS

1988 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
100¼	99	Treas 9½% 1988	99⅞	..	9.52	11.808
102⅝	99⅜	Treas 11½% 1989	99⅝	..	11.5	11.527
102¼	99	Treas 10½% 1989	99¾	..	10.5	11.529
102	98⅝	Exch 10% 1989	98⅝	..	10.1	11.470
104¼	98¾	Exch 10¼% 1989	99	..	10.3	11.180
103½	98⅜	Exch 11% 1989	99⅜	● ..	11.0	11.376
97¼	92⅜	Treas 5% 1986-89	95⅜	● ..	5.26	9.888
101¼	94	Treas C 9½% 1989	98⅝	● ..	9.59	11.495
97⅜	95⅞	Treas 3% 1989	96⅜	..	3.1	8.983
102¼	95⅜	Treas 8% 1990	96⅞	-⅛	8.2	10.050
107½	102⅜	Treas 13% 1990	102⅝	..	12.6	10.880
104⅝	100	Exch 11% 1990	100⅝	..	10.9	10.830
107¼	102	Exch 12½% 1990	102⅛	● ..	12.2	10.797
93⅜	90⅜	Treas 3% 1990	90⅜	..	3.3	9.151
99⅜	95⅜	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	96¼	..	8.57	10.843
103⅜	98⅛	Treas 10% 1990	98⅝	..	10.1	10.778
91⅝	87¼	Exch 2½% 1990	87⅝	..	2.8	8.848
105¼	98⅜	Treas C 10% 1991	98⅝	..	10.1	10.484
107¼	101⅝	Treas 11¾% 1991	102	..	11.5	10.886
95⅛	87⅞	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	90⅝	●+⅛	6.3	9.957
107⅜	100⅜	Exch 11% 1991	101	-⅛	10.8	10.599
90⅜	86¼	Treas 3% 1991	86⅝	+⅛	3.4	8.889
98⅝	92½	Treas 8% 1991	93	-⅛	8.5	10.588
113⅜	105⅜	Treas 12¾% 1992	106⅛	-⅛	12.0	10.514
104¼	98⅜	Treas 10% 1992	98⅝	-⅛	10.1	10.490
106⅝	98½	Treas C10¼% 1992	100	-⅛	10.5	10.494
86¼	82¼	Treas 3% 1992	82⅝	..	3.6	8.834
98½	88½	Treas 8% 1992	92⅜	●-⅛	8.6	10.522
112⅝	104½	Exch 12¼% 1992	105⅜	-⅛	11.6	10.517
117⅛	108⅝	Exch 13½% 1992	109⅝	● ..	12.3	10.544
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
97⅜	91⅜	Treas 8¼% 1993	92⅛	-⅛	8.9	10.455
105¼	93⅜	Treas 10% 1993	98⅝	●-⅛	10.1	10.389
115⅛	107⅜	Treas 12½% 1993	107⅝	-⅛	11.6	10.458
93	88	Fund 6% 1993	88⅛	● ..	6.81	9.038
121⅝	112⅜	Treas 13¾% 1993	112⅝	-⅛	12.2	10.513
101½	91½	Treas 8½% 1994	92	-⅛	9.2	10.480
125⅜	115⅜	Treas 14½% 1994	116⅝	-⅛	12.4	10.465
116⅜	107⅜	Exch 12½% 1994	108⅛	-⅛	11.6	10.580
120⅜	111½	Exch 13½% 1994	112	-⅛	12.0	10.607
101⅜	93⅜	Treas 9% 1994	94⅛	-⅛	9.5	10.257
105½	98	Treas 10% 1994	98⅝	-⅛	10.1	10.331
114⅝	105⅜	Treas 12% 1995	106⅜	-⅛	11.2	10.520
83½	78⅜	Gas 3% 1990-95	81⅛	+⅛	3.7	6.612
106⅜	98⅛	Exch 10¼% 1995	99⅝	-⅛	10.3	10.387
120⅜	111	Treas 12¾% 1995	111⅝	-⅛	11.4	10.409
125⅜	116⅝	Treas 14% 1996	117⅜	-⅛	11.9	10.511
101⅜	93⅜	Treas 9% 1992-96	94⅛	● ..	9.54	10.107
133⅜	123⅜	Treas 15¼% 1996	124⅜	-⅛	12.2	10.499
123⅜	114	Exch 13¼% 1996	114⅜	-⅛	11.5	10.380
105⅜	97⅜	Conv 10% 1996	98⅝	-⅛	10.1	10.292
124¼	115	Treas 13¼% 1997	115⅜	-⅛	11.4	10.349
108⅜	97⅜	Exch 10½% 1997	101⅛	-⅛	10.3	10.287
98⅜	91⅛	Treas 8¾% 1997	92⅜	-⅛	9.5	10.111
134⅜	125⅜	Exch 15% 1997	125⅜	-⅛	11.9	10.491
87⅛	81⅜	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	82⅛	..	8.19	9.584
104	96⅜	Exch 9¾% 1998	97⅜	-⅛	10.0	10.218
140⅜	124⅜	Treas 15½% 1998	131⅜	●-⅛	11.7	10.390
118⅛	109⅜	Exch 12% 1998	110⅛	-⅛	10.8	10.297
103⅜	95⅜	Treas 9½% 1999	96⅛	-⅛	9.8	9.991
120⅛	111⅜	Exch 12¼% 1999	112⅜	●-⅛	10.8	10.287
109⅜	101⅛	Treas 10½% 1999	102	-⅛	10.2	10.179
107⅛	99⅜	Conv 10¼% 1999	100⅜	-⅛	10.1	10.159
100⅛	88⅛	Treas 8½% 2000	90⅛	-⅛	9.4	9.923
126⅜	117⅜	Treas 13% 2000	118⅜	-⅛	10.9	10.279
99⅜	92⅜	Conv 9% 2000	93⅜	-⅛	9.6	9.944
106⅜	98⅜	Treas 10% 2001	99⅜	-⅛	10.0	10.055
104⅜	97⅜	Conv 9¾% 2001	98	-⅛	9.9	10.013
128⅜	120⅜	Treas 14% 1998-01	121	-⅛	11.5	10.480
99⅜	92⅜	Exch 9% 2002	93⅜	-⅛	9.6	9.887
107	94⅜	Conv 10% 2002	100⅛	●-⅛	9.9	9.979
118⅜	109⅜	Exch 12% 1999-02	110⅜	-⅛	10.8	10.304
105⅜	97⅜	Treas 9¾% 2002	98⅜	-⅛	9.9	9.954

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
111	75	Rea Bros	74	79	●-1	0.3	0.4	14.7
149	94	Rothschild (J) Hld	140	144	g ..	10.7	7.5	5.7
380	297	Rvl Bk Scot (aa)	340	342	..	17.9	5.2	6.6
10	850	Schroders	875	975	..	22.0	2.4	11.7
553	487	Stand Chart (aa)	515	518	●+15	46.7	9.0	8.4
117½	96	TSB (aa)	98	99	●+½	6.6	6.7	6.6
595	501	Union Disc	515	525	+2	38.4	7.4	11.8
355	276	Warburg SG	280	285	+1	15.3	5.4	7.6
133	99	Do 6% 'A'	99	102	+2	8.2	8.1	..
33½	23	Wells Fargo	33¼	-	+1¼	..	..	..
458	443	Wintrust	440	465	● ..	9.3	2.1	16.7

BREWERIES

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
441	322	Allied-Lyons (aa)	399	401	-½	17.3	4.3	12.8
867	734	Bass (aa)	746	750	+3	26.9	3.6	11.2
66	44	Belhaven	54	57	+5	1.4	2.5	21.9
175	127	Boddington	135	140	..	5.4	3.9	14.3
267	145	Buckleys	155	165	..	4.4	2.8	49.4
195	147	Bulmer (H P)	155	165	..	8.7	5.4	10.7
197	120	Burtonwood Brew	168	177	..	4.2	2.4	21.3
388	332	Clark (Matthew)	380	390	●+5	14.7	3.8	10.5
371	292	Devenish (JA)	298	305	-1	4.0	1.3	26.6
246	176	Greenall Whitley	211	215	..	8.3	3.9	12.1
494	433	Greene King	438	447	+3	9.9	2.2	19.7
357	271	Guinness (aa)	315	317	-1	12.6	4.0	10.4
765	690	Hardys & Hansons	750	770	..	30.0	3.9	14.2
127	78	Highland Dist	107	111	..	3.5	3.2	17.0
306	168	Invergordon Dist	290	300	..	8.3	2.8	17.8
440	125	Irish Dist	410	422	-3	..	..	..
167	110	Marston Thompson	140	143	..	3.9	2.7	16.0
693	464	Morland	639	670	+17	10.9	1.7	25.5
368	265	SA Breweries	260	280	-5	..	..	..
384	206	Scot & New (aa)	330	335	+4	12.2	3.7	18.5
721	479	Vaux Group	683	690	..	21.6b	3.1	21.0
317	268	Whitbread 'A' (aa)	279	280	+2½	14.1	5.0	10.4
709	324	Do 'B'	580	680	+50	14.1	2.2	23.5
411	258	Whitbread Inv	367	375	..	12.3	3.3	39.4
434	351	Wolverhampton & D	395	400	-1	8.2	2.1	16.9
530	345	Young 'A'	505	525	..	12.3	2.4	30.1

BUILDING, ROADS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
273	220	Abbey	215	225	●-2	..	..	..
403	315	Amec	357	361	+2	19.3	5.4	10.2
473	343	Anglia Sec	402	417	+2	3.4	0.8	24.1
54	36	Anglo Utd	43	46	●+1	1.3	2.9	19.6
208	50	Arncliffe	155	170	+5	5.3	3.3	10.3
320	247	Atwoods	270	275	+13	8.7	3.2	15.5
310	247	BPB Ind (aa)	252	253	-6½	11.3	4.5	8.7
320	240	Baggeridge Brick	252	262	..	5.0	1.9	18.1
88	53	Bailey (Ben) Constr	78	81	..	1.9	2.4	16.8
216	161	Barratt Devs	160	162	-2	12.6	7.8	10.6
272	181	Bellway	225	230	..	11.0	4.8	11.0
113	85	Bellwinch	87	92	+4	2.9	3.2	8.1
384	258	Berkeley Gp	282	287	..	4.7	1.6	10.8
122	83	Bett Bros	103	113	..	4.8	4.4	24.9
400	320	Blockleys	355	405	+5	9.7	2.6	20.6
474	408	Blue Circle (aa)	420	422	-3	21.3	5.1	10.0
390	318	Boot (Henry)	375	388	-1	19.3	5.1	9.0
295	187	Breedon PLC	215	225	..	8.7	3.9	30.2
170	110	Br Dredging	126	133	..	6.9	5.3	28.3
157	117	Bryant	132	135	..	4.4	3.3	15.9
168	112	CALA	143	148	-2	3.7	2.5	10.1
144	110	CRH	127	132	..	..	..	..
155	104	Cakebread Robey	122	127	-1	5.1	4.0	22.0
355	258	Caradon	315	330	..	10.7	3.4	11.8
140	97	Church Charles	102	105	..	1.3	1.3	11.7
390	195	Conder Grp	327	347	..	7.5	2.2	11.5
171	112	Copson PLC	145	152	●+9	4.0	2.7	18.4
336	259	Costain	303	304	-1½	14.0	4.6	12.4
317	203	Countryside	245	259	-1	3.0	1.2	12.2
231	178	Crest Nicholson	185	188	●-2	8.3	4.4	9.4
126	73	Crosby James	112	117	●+1	2.7	2.3	8.0
295	229	Douglas (RM)	274	278	● ..	5.7b	2.1	21.8
41	23	Edmond Hldgs	34	36	-1	1.5	4.3	16.5
105	78	Erith	98	103	+1	4.4	4.4	13.6
309	175	Federated Hsg	253	257	-3	7.7	3.0	9.3
98	75	Finlan Gp	80	83	● ..	6.0	7.3	9.4
76	60	Galliford	67	70	..	3.8	5.5	15.4
263	210	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	255	265	..	3.5	1.3	34.0
565	385	Gleeson (MJ)	525	545	● ..	9.5	1.8	12.8
265	205	Hamson Ind	255	265	..	9.1	3.5	12.3
126	91	Hewden-Stuart	121	124	+1	2.7	2.2	12.6
320	259	Heywood Williams	263	268	●+2	13.3	5.0	8.7
380	291	Higgs & Hill	330	338	..	12.3	3.7	10.5
80	67	How Gp	79	84	..	4.1	5.0	10.4
69	52	Howard Hldgs	56	59	..	1.7	2.9	9.7
202	141	Ibstock Johnsen	160	163	-3	5.5	3.4	10.6
183	85½	Jarvis (J) & Sons	153	158	..	..	..	..
356	270	Laing (J)	292	295	+1	10.7	3.6	8.7
179	111	Lawrence (Walter)	137	140	..	6.5	4.7	8.8
58	38	Lilley (FJC)	49	51	..	..	..	58.1
260	195	Lovell (YJ)	198	200	● ..	7.0	3.5	9.8
262	196	Magnet (aa)	206	208	-½	9.2	4.4	12.3
202	147	Manders	185	188	..	7.3	3.7	22.0
173	128	Marley	153	154	●-3½	7.3	4.8	10.9
263	228	Marshalls (Halifax)	225	230	●-1	9.7	4.3	11.2
133	79	Maunders (J)	94	98	..	2.9	3.0	15.6
509	360	McAlpine (Alfred)	372	376	-2	21.5	5.7	7.5
497	371	McCarthy & S	372	378	+2	5.7	1.5	11.3
429	341	Meyer Int	367	370	..	12.7	3.4	9.9
230	56	Miller (Stanley)	222	227	..	2.0	0.9	..
438	347	Mowlem (John)	364	367	..	23.6	6.4	9.6
108	82	NSM	82	85	r -1	..	..	..
17	10½	Newarthill	16½	17¼	..	19.2	1.1	42.0
185	160	Newman Tonks	165	170	+1	10.5	6.3	12.2
184	109	Persimmon	152	155	-1	6.0b	3.9	12.4
128	87	Phoenix Timber	98	102	..	3.3	3.3	12.5
765	715	Pochins	750	780	..	21.9	2.9	8.4
194	172	Prowting	178	182	..	..	..	..
498	423	RMC Gp (aa)	444	448	-1	15.1	3.4	10.8
111	82	Raine Ind	84	86	..	2.7	3.2	17.3
450	385	Redland (aa)	394	395	●-4	21.1	5.3	9.1
285	125	Roberoid	258	260	● ..	5.9	2.3	18.7
144	111	Rugby Group	122	124	..	6.2	5.0	11.1
260	215	Sandell Perkins	243	248	● ..	7.2	2.9	11.7
310	173	Sharpe & Fisher	290	300	..	5.3	1.8	19.7
153	111	Smart (J)	137	142	..	7.2	5.1	20.9
352	278	Steetley	327	329	-1½	12.3	3.8	11.7
264	212	Tarmac (aa)	220	222	..	9.9	4.5	10.6
636	351	Taylor Woodrow (aa)	591	594	●-3	14.0	2.4	22.0
403	233	Tilbury Group	345	355	● ..	12.8	3.7	11.4
518	309	Travis & Arnold	510	517	+9	23.5	4.6	18.9
189	93	Trent	180	188	●+3	2.0	1.1	27.0
340	189	Turriff	302	312	..	11.1	3.6	13.9
165	111	Vibroplant	148	153	●+4	..	..	11.6
185	135	Ward Group	160	170	..	5.9	3.6	13.1
181	119	Ward Hldgs	115	123	● ..	3.2	2.7	7.6
322	261	Watts Blake	300	310	+5	8.4	2.8	14.4
280	202	Westbury	211	215	+1	7.3	3.4	8.7
282	151	Wiggins	253	260	+11	8.7	3.4	11.6
253	143	Wilson Bowden	235	240	..	6.5	2.7	13.2
205	156	Wilson (Connolly)	158	162	..	3.3	2.1	12.1
275	219	Wimpey G (aa)	226	228	-1	10.3	4.5	9.5
129	114	YRM	117	125	● ..	4.0	3.3	11.3

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
144	108	Allied Colloids	123	124	-1	3.1	2.5	13.8
677	441	Amersham	552	556	+2	13.3	2.4	17.8
159	139	BTP	125	132	..	8.3	6.4	13.7
97⅛	79⅛	Bayer DM50	95⅛	-	+⅛	..	..	..
193	148	Blagden	170	174	r +2	10.5	6.1	12.7
165	118	Brent Chems	142	144	-1	7.1b	5.0	13.0
243	169	Canning (W)	206	211	-1	7.3	3.5	10.7
343	285	Coalite	320	322	-4	13.1	4.1	10.3
358	298	Coates Bros	310	318	..	10.6	3.4	10.2
213	173	Croda	180	182	..	12.3	6.8	11.9
195	147	Ellis & Everard	171	174	● ..	7.5	4.3	11.8
34	21	European Colour	25	27	..	..	..	..
192	152	Evode	173	177	● ..	6.2	3.5	14.6
275	206	Foseco	246	247	-½	14.5	5.9	11.0
255	236	Halstead (James)	232	237	..	9.7	4.1	10.5
251	138	Hickson	216	220	●+3	8.3	3.8	14.1
93¼	78⅛	Hoechst DM50	93¼	-	+1	..	..	..
11⅛	947	Imp Chem Ind (aa)	10¼	10¼	● ..	57.3	5.6	8.7
439	350	Laporte (aa)	390	393	+1	16.4	4.2	12.1
257	157	Leigh	212	215	●-3	7.5	3.5	17.6
19⅛	11¼	Norsk Hydro	175	..	r +½	.. f	..	..
183	131	Plysu	163	168	..	3.1	1.9	17.9
295	295	Rearbrook Hldgs	270	320	..	5.8	2.0	26.3
214	173	Rentokil	208	210	..	4.7	2.2	18.4
172	105	Sutcliffe Speakman	103	108	..	2.7	2.5	12.9
545	270	Wolstenholme Rink	400	440	-3	14.0	3.3	13.3
275	213	Yorkshire Chem	234	237	●-3	10.7	4.5	10.4
141	108	Yule Catto	123	128	+1	4.1	3.3	14.5

Cinemas, TV stocks have now been incorporated under Leisure

DRAPERY, STORES

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
403	337	Alexon	353	357	-4	10.7	3.0	11.2
78	21	Amber Day	49	51	r ..	..	..	..
94	63	Aquascutum 'A'	70	73	..	4.1	5.7	13.2
136	100	Ashley (Laura)	103	106	-1	3.2	3.0	15.0
385	330	Austin Reed	365	380	..	11.6	3.1	20.8
161	118	Beattie (James) 'A'	140	144	+4	5.5	3.9	13.9
202	149	Bentalls	160	164	..	4.3	2.7	24.0
24½	12¼	Blacks Leis	13	13½	● ..	0.1	0.8	18.4
643	230	Body Shop	575	585	+2	2.4	0.4	61.7
90	61	Bremner	60	65	..	1.0	1.6	..
54	33	Brown & Jackson	43½	45	●-1	0.1	0.2	33.5
360	197	Brown (N)	215	225	..	6.7	3.0	13.9
264	186	Burton (aa)	195	196	-1½	10.4	5.3	9.8
148	83	Cantors 'A'	123	130	+1	2.4	1.9	25.5
93	60	Casket plc	60	65	+1	3.6	6.0	7.5
478	415	Church	440	460	●+5	15.3	3.4	14.0
287	198	Coats Viyella (aa)	204	205	+4½	11.9	5.8	7.1
300	158	Courts (Furn) 'A'	260	267	+3	7.7	2.9	14.7
570	400	DAKS Simpson 'A'	540	580	+5	12.8	2.3	11.9
54	41	Dewhirst (IJ)	41	44	● ..	1.3	3.0	8.6
217	148	Dixons Grp (aa)	152	153	●-2½	5.7	3.7	9.3
229	154	Dunhill	210	217	-2	3.6	1.7	16.2
97	38	ERA Gp	76	80	+1	3.4	4.4	11.4
146½	55	Ellis & Goldstein	135	143	..	3.5	2.5	27.9
740	655	Elys (Wimbledon)	700	750	..	16.0	2.2	18.8
292	204	Empire Stores	241	243	..	7.2	3.0	30.2
296	191	Essex	202	207	+2	8.2	4.0	10.5
257	204	Fine Art Dev	218	221	-2	9.1	4.1	13.1
345	270	Forminster	315	335	● ..	10.8	3.3	9.3
78	50	Gent SR	61	64	..	1.6	2.5	18.9
231	168	Goldberg (A)	220	223	..	7.3	3.3	19.6
17¼	15½	GUS	16⅛	17⅛	..	38.0b	2.3	17.0
11½	988	Do 'A' (aa)	10	10	-⅛	38.0	3.8	10.2
46	32½	Helene Plc	32	34	-½	2.2	6.7	10.5
272	165	Hepp Robinson plc	177	180	+3	6.0	3.4	15.2
89	57	Hollas	59	62	● ..	3.9	6.4	11.2
212	175	House Of Lerose	177	187	..	13.3	7.3	18.4
67	50	Leslie Wise Gp	58	62	● ..	3.7	6.2	10.4
11⅛	184	Liberty	11½	11¼	..	14.5	1.3	24.3
190	150	Marks Spencer (aa)	157	158	-½	6.8	4.3	13.0
388	304	Menzies (John)	300	307	..	8.0	2.6	10.0
281	203	Moss Bros	200	220	..	..	..	25.8
298	196	Next (aa)	213	215	-1	8.4	3.9	10.3
565	340	Oliver (G)	460	510	..	17.1	3.5	16.6
135	92	Pentos	96	98	+1	1.9	2.0	11.0
274	206	Ratners Group	216	219	-2	6.9	3.2	10.0
96	66	S & U Stores	77	87	..	5.5	6.7	8.2
145	114	Sears (aa)	125	127	-1	6.1	4.8	13.4
337	249	Smith (WH) 'A' (aa)	247	250	●-7	12.0	4.8	10.3
325	200	Sock Shop	267	277	+2	1.1	0.4	48.9
150	92	Stead & Simpson 'A'	108	112	+4	6.1	5.5	15.2
290	179	Storehouse (aa)	181	184	-3	11.7	6.4	10.0
15½	10¼	Stormguard	13	14	..	..	..	20.1
182	130	T & S Stores	162	172	+2	2.9	1.7	17.5
280	200	Tibbet & Britten	267	277	● ..	6.2	2.3	22.6
151	94	Tie Rack	95	102	..	1.7	1.7	17.6
245	153	Time Products	202	205	..	6.1	3.0	11.2
148	85	Underwoods	83	87	-1	3.3	3.9	26.9
181	85	Vivat	85	90	+1	3.6	4.1	15.0
341	245	Ward White	264	266	-2	12.2	4.6	8.8
285	200	Wickes	210	215	●+11	1.8	0.8	19.5
233	180	Wilding Office	227	237	..	4.7	2.0	20.4
307	232	Woolworth (aa)	252	255	-6	12.3	4.8	10.3

ELECTRICALS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
449	340	AB Elect	410	420	..	18.5	4.5	17.4
111	70	ABB Newf	71	73	..	4.0	5.6	..
173	87	Adwest Comp	131	136	-1	3.0	2.2	16.7
145	88	Alba	123	128	-2	6.0	4.8	16.0
321	208	Alphameric	250	260	..	4.7	1.8	12.0
234½	113	Amstrad (aa)	203	205	+1½	1.2	0.6	11.9
126	94	Apricot Computers	112	116	..	2.7	2.4	11.1
170	100	Arlen	100	107	●+1	4.0b	3.8	8.4
505	337	Atlantic Comp	485	500	..	9.3e	1.9	14.1
144	77	Audio Fidelity	123	130	..	0.7	0.6	9.9
280	215½	Auto Sec	233	237	-2	3.1	1.3	14.7
66	35	Beacon Gp	52	57	+2	0.7	1.3	..
45	32	Bennett & Fountain	34	38	-1	1.0	2.9	17.9
377	302	BICC (aa)	338	341	+2	18.3	5.4	15.6
104	62	BSR	66	70	●+2	3.1	4.6	10.0
208	133	Best	182	189	+1	6.1	3.3	13.5
122	85	Borland	98	103	+3	..	..	..
192	145	Bowthorpe	160	164	+2	4.5b	2.8	12.4
218	172	Britannia Security	170	175	+1	2.7	1.6	14.3
260	193	Br Telecom (aa)	232	234	..	12.7	5.5	10.2
27	13	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	19	22	..	0.3	1.4	12.1
131	53	CASE	120	130	● ..	1.0	0.8	66.5
396	312	Cable Wireless (aa)	362	364	-2	8.9	2.5	18.3
262	193	Cambridge Elec	231	235	● ..	11.7	5.0	11.5
67	32	Cambridge Instr	56	58	-1	1.0	1.8	18.8
67	47	Chloride	50	52	..	2.7	5.3	23.7
243	200	Cray Elect	215	222	●+2	4.4	2.0	21.2
183	142	Crystalate	147	151	-1	7.8	5.2	7.2
85	50	DDT Group	73	84	+3	1.6	2.1	26.4
114	75	Dale Elec	100	104	● ..	5.7	5.6	12.2
59	38	Do 'A'	52	57	● ..	2.0	3.6	12.4
348	278	Domino	293	303	..	4.3	1.4	14.8
64	53	Dowding & Mills	54	57	..	2.5	4.5	13.8
221	176	Electrocomponents	191	193	-2	5.8	3.0	13.1
128	99	Elec Data Process	108	113	..	2.8	2.5	9.4
92	65	Electronic Mach	63	73	● ..	1.2	1.8	82.9
480	367	Emess	442	450	..	11.5	2.6	16.8
403	267	Eurotherm	365	373	● ..	8.6	2.3	13.5
143	113	FKI Babcock (aa)	121	122	..	3.1	2.6	10.6
179	138	Farnell Elect	144	147	-1	4.8	3.3	11.1
88	76½	Ferranti Intl (aa)	85	86	+½	3.1	3.6	10.7
69	50	Forward Tech	55	60	..	1.4	2.4	9.4
168	144	GEC (aa)	155	157	●-½	8.7	5.6	9.2
379	182	Harland Simon	370	377	●+18	3.2	0.9	24.1
85	46	Highland Elect	68	71	+6	3.4	4.9	10.2
406	195	Hoskyns Gp	407	411	..	2.8	0.7	38.4
65	40	ITL Gp	40	45	..	2.7	6.3	7.6
210	150	Jones Stroud	190	210	● ..	8.0	4.0	10.3
385	328	Kode	330	340	..	20.7	6.2	10.9
385	250	Lee Refrigeration	365	375	● ..	18.0	4.9	10.3
58½	37	Life Sciences	51	53	● ..	1.3	2.5	33.3
391	232	Logica	330	337	..	2.8	0.8	23.4
293	228	Micro 4	263	278	+3	5.2	1.9	49.3
254	173	Memec	210	218	..	5.7	2.7	13.9
95	63	MBS	60	65	-2	1.4	2.2	14.4
483	282	Microfilm Repro	370	385	r ..	4.2	1.1	38.3
180	87	Micro Focus	145	155	+3	..	..	15.2
316	219	Microgen	218	225	..	8.0	3.8	13.7
190	115	Mitel	171	-	+1	..	..	..
24⅛	19½	Molex	22½	-	..	..	..	..
74	43	Muirhead Elect	52	57	-1	2.1e	3.8	41.4
44	29	Murray Elect	31	34	..	0.3	0.9	86.8
328	253	Newmark (Louis)	305	320	● ..	19.6	6.3	10.4
102	88½	NEI	94	95	●+½	7.2b	7.6	30.8
122	64	NMW Comp	67	72	..	3.4	4.9	12.3
24	16	Oceonics	18	21	..	..	..	4.0
276	200	Oxford Instruments	237	242	● ..	3.6	1.5	16.1
221	135	P-E International	195	205	● ..	5.1	2.6	14.3
248	175	P & P	216	220	● ..	2.7	1.2	..
69	45	Peek	47	49	..	0.4	0.8	31.6
82½	75	Philips Fin 5¾%	75	80	● ..	5.75	7.4	..
10	700	Philips Lamps N/V	9⅛	-	+⅛	..	..	..
300	239	Pifco	295	305	..	11.3	3.8	8.4
254	174	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	250	257	..	11.3	4.4	7.1
235	158	Pilgrim House	172	174	r ..	8.0	4.6	9.6
178	141	Plessey (aa)	151	153	+2	8.9	5.9	9.8
179	117	Pressac	163	166	..	2.3	1.4	16.7
122	74	Quest Automation	77	82	●-1	2.0	2.5	6.9
351½	202	Racal Elect (aa)	309	311	+9	6.0	1.9	22.1
180	111	Ross	108	113	● ..	4.7	4.2	11.7
86	68	SD-Scicon	74	76	..	0.9	1.2	22.5
156	98	Scantronic	101	105	..	2.1	2.0	17.4
490	430	Scholes (GH)	480	500	..	22.7	4.6	13.6
308	192	Sema Metra	296	303	●+1	2.9	1.0	22.9
120	75	Sintrom	85	95	-5	3.0	3.3	12.0
39	25	Sound Diffusion	27	30	..	0.1	0.3	7.6
301	219½	STC (aa)	262	264	●+1	10.3	3.9	11.7
23¼	18⅛	TDK	21⅛	-	+⅛	..	..	..
244	192	Telephone Rentals	213	218	..	11.6	5.4	15.8
61	15	Telemetrix	45	48	+2	..	..	2.7
178	127	Thorn Scientific	150	154	-1	5.3	3.5	11.3
675	533	THORN EMI (aa)	610	615	+1	29.3	4.8	11.7
415	315	Tunstall	325	345	..	5.0	1.5	15.6
426	332	UEI	380	387	-5	9.3	2.4	15.9
262	184	Unitech	203	207	● ..	12.1	5.9	10.4
230	140	Utd Scientific	181	185	●-1	9.2	5.0	14.0
423	308	VG Instruments	314	325	+2	6.5	2.0	10.7
380	325	Volex	333	353	●-7	16.0	4.7	12.2
122	93	Western Selection	95	105	-2	4.8	4.8	9.9
492	390	Wholesale Fitting	487	497	●+2	17.2	3.5	15.5

FINANCE, LAND

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
255	192	Abingworth	230	235	..	1.7	0.7	..
106	61	Aitken Hume	62	67	●-1	3.3	5.1	12.7
316	205	Antofagasta	298	304	-1	13.7	4.5	8.8
87	68	Ass Henriques	74	78	● ..	3.3	4.3	31.1
410	220	Authority Inv	210	230	-5	8.0	3.6	11.4
195	163	Berkeley Govett	170	180	● ..	..	..	..
303	274	Br Commonwlth (aa)	213	215	-8	11.0	5.1	9.1
138	91	Burns-Anderson	100	105	+1	5.0	4.9	15.9
22	19	Camellia	18	20	..	23.3	1.2	40.4
400	260	Candover	370	390	..	12.7	3.3	53.1
190	75	Centreway	100	110	..	1.3	1.2	20.5
589	414	Charges Int	505	510	+2	17.8	3.5	11.2
485	385	Harvey&Thompson	415	425	..	12.3	2.9	21.0
103	64	Indl Fin Inv	85	90	..	4.8	5.5	14.2
145	111	Ivory & Sime	128	133	..	7.7	5.9	15.7
175	125	LIT	127	130	-1	..	..	..
211	194	Majedie	198	202	..	8.9	4.5	30.7
160	103	Nat Home Loans	100	110	..	9.0	8.6	9.4
75	53	Newmarket	65	70	..	..	..	..
357	180	Parrish Plc	165	195	-5	1.3	0.7	21.1
165	115	Silvermines Plc	135	140	..	..	..	..
92	67	Singer & Fried	73	75	+1	1.4	1.9	24.6
143	105	Templeton Gorth	122	127	●+5	4.3	3.4	8.7

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
17½	11⅝	American Express	17½	-	+⅛	..	..	..
109	64	Argyle	77	84	..	4.1	5.1	21.3
118	89	Britannia Arrow	98	100	● ..	7.3	7.4	7.4
34½	28½	Daily Mail	28	31	..	94.7	3.2	13.5
210	182½	Electra	198½	200	..	6.4	3.2	40.1
253	215	Frost Gp	238	243	..	10.7	4.4	19.2
175	128	GT Management	142	147	+2	6.7	4.6	7.3
135	122	Goode Durrant	117	127	● ..	2.4	2.0	8.8
805	640	Henderson Admin	670	700	+5	36.0	5.3	8.5
198	114	ICH	120	125	+1	12.3	10.0	5.0
111	87	MAI	88	90	..	5.5	6.2	..
380	290	MAM	300	320	+5	16.0	5.2	7.9
400	264	M & G	340	345	-3	10.0	2.9	16.5
45	34	Rutland	41	42	-½	0.3	0.7	25.0
193	155	Smith New Court	165	175	● ..	10.7	6.3	8.4
168	116	Tyndall Hldgs	120	123	+2	6.9	5.7	11.8

FOODS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
322	272	AB Food (aa)	297	299	-1	11.1	3.7	9.9
183	143	ASDA Group (aa)	146	147	●-1	5.5	3.8	11.7
62	33	Alpine Group	33	38	+1	..	..	..
185	123	Appletree Hldgs	120	130	..	4.1	3.3	22.6
212	165	Argyll (aa)	166	168	●-1	7.1	4.3	12.7
91	35	Ashley	73	77	r ..	.. e	..	..
180	151	Assoc Fisheries	157	162	..	6.7	4.2	16.0
220	185	Banks (Sidney C)	185	195	● ..	9.3	4.9	8.9
153	129	Barker & Dobson	135	137	..	4.8	3.5	13.5
683	543	Barr (AG)	675	690	..	17.3	2.5	11.9
281	195	Bassett Foods	250	255	-1	10.4	4.1	13.1
110	80	Batleys	102	107	..	3.2	3.0	15.1
195	148	Bejam	150	152	..	6.9	4.6	12.9
401	274	Bensford (S&W) (aa)	373	377	● ..	19.3	5.1	15.1
429	348	Booker	368	373	..	22.1	6.0	13.2
74	42	Borthwick	51	54	+1	0.7	1.3	..
237	163	Brake Bros	223	228	..	3.9	1.7	20.0
429	231	Cadbury-Schwp (aa)	357	359	+12½	11.1	3.1	20.0
257	188	Carrs Milling	235	245	-2	9.7	4.0	8.5
512	470	Cliffords Dairies	507	517	..	12.1	2.4	25.4
88	55	Colleys	67	72	..	..	..	..
388	272	Dalgety (aa)	314	317	..	20.0	6.3	10.8
117	70	Daniels S	70	75	..	4.3	5.9	15.3
212	162	Dee (aa)	161	163	-1	11.3	7.0	10.7
82	39	England (J)	57	62	-1	..	..	..
131	78	FII Fyffes	120	125	-3	..	..	..
149	92	Fisher (A)	102	104	+1	2.5	2.4	20.9
300	254	Fitch Lovell	260	264	..	16.0	6.1	12.2
160	90	Freshbake	158	162	..	3.7	2.3	23.6
298	219	Glass	267	272	..	5.5	2.0	21.7
260	211	Hazlewood Foods	220	223	●+5	3.5	1.6	17.0
307	256	Hillsdown (aa)	262	264	+1½	6.7	2.5	12.8
198	158	Hunter Saphir	173	178	..	5.4	3.1	15.5
373	285	Iceland Frozen	343	347	..	6.1	1.8	20.0
370	300	Kwik Save	328	330	-2	9.7	2.9	16.6
120	85	Lees (John J)	115	125	..	2.5	2.1	19.1
153	123	Lovell (GF)	130	145	● ..	3.7	2.6	19.8
661	554	Low (Wm)	615	623	..	21.2	3.4	14.4
98	68½	Matthews (Bernard)	70	72	+2	2.6	3.9	10.0
333	203	Meat Trade Supp	285	300	..	4.9	1.7	91.6
288	234	Morrison (W)	258	261	+4	2.7	1.0	15.6
265	235	Nichols (JN) (Vimto)	230	240	● ..	10.8	4.6	13.0
65	51	Normans	60	62	● ..	2.9	4.8	12.2
314	243	Nthn Foods (aa)	260	262	+2	13.3	5.1	10.5
180	121	Nurdin & Peacock	167	170	..	6.1	3.6	15.2
247	180	Park Foods	183	193	●+1	6.6	3.5	11.6
103	68	Ptarmigan	87	92	-1	..	..	..
490	303	RHM (aa)	379	382	-4½	14.2	3.7	15.8
10⅛	411	Rowntree (aa)	10⅛	10¼	..	20.7	1.9	27.3
250	202	Sainsbury (J) (aa)	201	203	-2	5.6	2.8	15.7
175	130	Salvesen (Chstn)	165	166	..	5.5	3.3	16.1
888	740	Tate & Lyle (aa)	823	828	+2	37.0	4.5	11.5
103	85	Tavener Rutledge	100	105	● ..	1.7	1.7	13.0
172	133½	Tesco (aa)	133	134	-1½	3.8	2.8	12.9
137	125	Thorntons	126	129	+2	2.8	2.2	15.0
345	253	Unigate (aa)	268	268	-2	16.9	6.3	10.7
318	248	Utd Biscuits (aa)	268	270	+3	15.3	5.7	11.5
230	187	Watson & Philip	196	205	..	11.1	5.5	14.6

HOTELS, CATERERS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
258	188	Friendly Hotels	240	250	..	2.4	1.0	18.1
526	430	Grand Met (aa)	484	486	●+7½	17.3	3.6	17.6
457	322	Ladbroke (aa)	434	436	..	19.7	4.5	14.8
29½	24	Norfolk Cap Gp	28	29	..	0.6	2.1	22.6
146	108	Mount Charlotte	134	136	●-2	2.7	2.0	16.8
109	84	Queens Moat	100	102	●+2	2.8	2.8	17.5
19½	15	Resort Hotels	16½	18	●+½	0.6	3.4	11.6
11⅛	733	Savoy Hotels 'A'	756	795	+2	6.9	0.9	23.6
114	81	Stakis	86	88	+2	2.4	2.7	14.9
266	211	Trusthouse Ft (aa)	249	250	●+4½	9.8	3.9	17.3

INDUSTRIALS A-D

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
173	92	AAF Inv	145	155	●-3	7.2	4.8	9.5
317	253	AAH	263	266	+6	13.6	5.1	9.4
148	91	ADT (aa)	127	128	● ..	..	..	..
243	173	AGB Research	215	217	-1	10.6	4.9	17.1
265	188	AIM	248	258	●+3	10.0	4.0	11.6
278	218	AMI Health	243	247	..	..	..	..
61	44	APG	51	54	+1	2.1	4.0	12.7
134	106	APV	110	112	+1	5.8	5.2	12.0
181	153	ASW	176	178	..	9.7	5.5	..
138	110	Aaronson	111	114	●+1	7.4	6.5	9.9
370	280	Adwest	305	309	..	13.2	4.3	13.5
118	93	Aerospace Eng	98	103	●+1	4.2	4.2	15.3
185	142	Alexandra W'wear	148	157	+2	4.4	2.9	15.3
350	210	Alumasc	243	253	..	10.2	4.1	12.6
360	295	Amber Ind	310	350	..	14.7	4.5	12.0
183	95	Amerson	178	183	..	3.3	1.8	24.3
58½	34	Armour	54	55½	-½	0.8	1.5	17.2
752	625	Ash & Lacey	700	710	..	41.1	5.8	10.7
7	3⅛	Ass Br Eng	3⅞	4⅛	● ..	..	..	..
116	73	Aurora	107	110	+13	4.5	4.1	17.8
68	50	Avdel	67	68	-½	2.1	3.1	..
383	276	Avis Europe	332	335	+3	12.0	3.6	14.8
749	594	Avon Rubber	707	715	..	14.7	2.1	15.3
203	93	Ayrshire Metal	173	183	● ..	11.3b	6.3	13.4
290	235	BAA (aa)	253	255	-½	9.7	3.8	11.6
188	139	BBA	156	158	+½	4.3	2.7	9.7
256	216	BET Ord (aa)	219	221	+1	13.3	6.0	11.3
404	350	BM Gp	367	380	..	3.5	0.9	22.4
433	365	BOC (aa)	400	401	-½	18.0	4.5	11.1
79	55	BSG	61½	62½	+3½	2.7	4.4	10.2
405	303	BSS Group	380	385	..	16.0	4.2	11.1
296	238	BTR (aa)	282	284	+10	12.9	4.6	13.6
26	14	Bailey (CH)	14½	15½	+½	..	..	50.0
277	196	Baird (Wm)	240	245	-1	9.1	3.7	11.4
50	31	Bardsey	43	46	..	0.3	0.7	14.7
403	43	Barlow Rand	320	335	+5	..	..	..
203	120	Barrett (H)	180	185	..	2.4	1.3	27.2
755	625	Barton Transport	775	775	● ..	32.0e	4.3	86.8
48	25½	Baynes (Charles)	27	29	-1	..	..	..
11	7	Bear Brand	8½	10	..	0.7	7.4	1.9
385	220	Beatson Clark	350	360	-3	11.6	3.3	45.6
225	95	Beaufort	160	170	..	5.5	3.3	14.3
207	159½	Beazer PLC (aa)	170	171	-2	7.8	4.6	9.0
487	440	Beecham (aa)	454	456	..	19.1	4.2	13.8
71	30	Bemrose	51	53	-1	1.1	2.1	44.8
317	170	Bespak	283	293	●-3	6.7	2.3	18.1
74	39	Bestwood	56	59	-1	0.7	1.2	7.6
220	158	Bibby (J)	160	167	-2	11.3	6.9	7.8
185	116	Billam (J)	148	156	-2	5.5	3.6	..
425	305	Birmid Qualcast	404	407	..	12.7	3.1	23.5
202	163	Birmingham Mint	178	188	● ..	10.0	5.5	9.3
130	88	Black Arrow	105	115	● ..	3.7	3.4	11.9
156	131	Black (Peter)	148	153	+1	2.2	1.5	14.4
67	42	Blackwood Hodge	32	33	●-1	1.7	3.2	8.6
126	85	Blue Arrow (aa)	91	92	..	1.6	1.7	13.8
280	226	Bodycote	255	263	+2	7.7	3.0	13.3
259	194½	Boots (aa)	208	209	-2½	11.7	5.6	11.5
90	60	Boron Inds	68	75	● ..	1.8	2.5	12.0
442	352	Bowater	407	410	+1	19.0	4.6	13.7
29⅛	15¼	Bowater Inc	17½	18	+⅛	..	..	..
295	230	Braithwaite Grp	249	254	-1	6.0	2.4	10.8
256	216	Brammer	244	247	..	16.7	6.8	14.0
65	46	Brasway	54	57	●+1	1.4	2.5	12.6
51	37	Bridgend Gp	49	52	..	0.5	1.0	25.8
198½	137	Bridon	150	152	..	8.2	5.4	17.1
296	173	Bridport-Gundry	240	245	..	9.6	4.0	22.8
63	45	Brierley Inv	54	-	+2	..	..	..
179	139	Br Airways (aa)	151	153	+1	9.2	6.1	6.7
285	275	Br Bldg & Eng App	280	310	● ..	4.3	1.4	10.8
144	108	Br Syphon	118	122	-1	6.2b	5.2	11.1
247	196	Br Vita	222	224	+3½	7.2	3.2	13.4
407	254	Brokes Hill	373	384	+4	..	..	..
193	106	Bromsgrove Inds	104	107	-1	2.8	2.6	11.0
43	23	Brooke Tool	36	37	..	2.3	6.3	10.1
195	161	Brown & Tawse	175	180	..	13.7	8.0	10.8
497	420	Bullough	445	460	..	19.8	4.3	12.4
155	123	CH Ind	127	132	●-1	5.0	3.8	9.0
204	131	Camford Eng	193	196	-1	4.0	2.1	20.1
327	236	Cannon St	267	272	+1	10.7b	4.0	12.2
60	36	Caparo Ind	53	54	+½	1.1	2.1	..
158	128	Caps Ind	133	136	..	7.3e	5.4	10.3
24	10	Carclo	9	11	-½	..	..	..
174	143	Cardo Eng	143	147	+1	6.3	4.3	10.8
198	132	Castings	171	175	..	6.7	3.9	10.1
59	21	Celestion	32	37	-1	1.3	3.7	58.3
11	5½	Central & Sheer	6½	7½	..	.. e	..	14.0
74	43	Centreway Ind	43	48	..	3.3	7.2	9.0
171	118	Chamberlain Ph	144	147	..	7.3	5.0	12.7
239	178	Chamberlin & Hill	202	212	..	8.0	3.9	8.4
416	293	Charter Cons	337	341	+4	19.3	5.7	9.7
26½	13	Chatterfield	20½	21	●-1½	6.9	4.3	6.3
646	540	Chemring	638	653	+3	26.0	4.0	10.5
65	43	Chrsty Hunt	40	45	..	1.2	2.8	37.7
166	100	Claybithe	137	145	..	3.2	2.3	14.1
281	134	Clayton Son	252	262	..	12.0	4.7	9.6
11⅛	485	Cohen (A)	10	10½	..	19.4	1.9	11.3
10⅛	475	Do 'A'	900	950	..	19.4	2.1	10.1
242	172	Coloroll Gp	185	187	..	8.8	4.7	10.3
242	200	Concentric	208	215	..	9.1	4.3	12.3
85	61	Contrad Hldgs	67	72	..	3.3	4.7	20.7
118	86	Cont Stationery	102	107	..	4.0	3.8	11.0
205	95	Cook (Wm)	192	202	..	8.0	4.1	16.7
291	236	Cookson (aa)	245	247	..	8.7	3.5	10.4
183	132	Cosalt	164	168	..	7.3	4.4	14.6
238	180	Courtney Pope	215	225	-2	8.6	3.9	11.7
62	43	Cowan De Groot	50	53	● ..	2.0	3.8	13.1
116	64	DSC	60	67	●-3	1.0	1.6	33.2
22⅛	17⅛	Dana	102⅛	..	+⅛	.. f	..	..
113	78	Davies & Met 'A'	108	113	● ..	3.2	2.9	11.4
765	390	Davies & Newman	600	650	+10	20.0	3.2	7.1
190	149	Davis (Godfrey)	152	155	..	8.4	5.5	11.4
151	122	Davy	140	142	+1	8.3	5.9	17.8
495	352	De La Rue	483	488	+4	17.7	3.6	16.5
328	248	Delta	273	275	..	12.7	4.6	9.8
282	219	Desoutter	243	250	+3	12.5	5.1	8.2
31	21	Dinkie Heel	25	28	..	0.7	2.6	24.5
241	160	Diploma	205	209	..	8.7	4.2	12.3
122	87	Dobson Park	94	95	+1	7.0	7.4	11.5
100	63	Docks	83	98	r ..	0.7	0.8	70.5
110	83	Domnick Int	101	104	+1	7.3	7.1	10.0
150	95	Dwek	147	152	..	5.3	3.5	10.2
151	129	Dyson (J&J)	137	142	● ..	6.0	4.3	17.6
108	82	Do 'A'	80	83	● ..	6.0	2.3	9.3

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1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
287	256	EIS	279	285	..	11.4	4.0	13.2
318	268	Eastern Prod	266	271	..	13.7	5.1	7.3
20¼	13½	Eagle Trust	13¼	14½	+½	0.3	2.1	15.3
277	170	Edbro	270	280	-2	12.0	4.4	11.3
58	45	Elbief	51	56	●+1	2.3	4.3	21.5
200	143	Elico	173	180	..	7.8	4.4	17.2
23⅛	17½	Electrolux (AE) 'B'	21⅛	-	+⅛	..	..	..
102	82	Elliott (B)	82	85	+2	4.4	5.2	13.4
38½	19	Elswick	19½	20	..	0.4	2.0	14.0
13⅛	10⅛	Embart	101¼	..	●+⅛	.. f	..	..
481	370	Eng China Clay (aa)	450	452	-1½	21.7b	4.8	12.9
29⅛	14⅛	Ericsson (LM) 'B'	26⅛	-	+⅛	..	..	..
240	182	Erskine Hse	210	220	..	6.9	3.2	11.9
108	86	Eurocopy	86	91	..	..	..	15.3
361	232	Eurotunnel Units	302	306	+9	..	..	..
28½	13	Eurotunnel Warrants	19	20	+⅛	..	..	..
128	103	Evered	105	106½	-½	4.5	4.2	8.3
212	165	Expamet	178	186	..	10.5	5.8	11.6
104½	53	Falcon	100	103	..	1.0	1.0	20.1
45	29	Feedex Agric Ind	28	31	+1	2.1	7.0	8.4
171	151	Fenner (JH)	152	155	..	9.3	6.0	14.7
71	55	Fife Indmar	66	70	● ..	4.7	6.9	32.5
279	227	Fisons (aa)	237	239	r +½	5.8	2.4	14.0
146	68	Fitzwilton	127	132	r -1	..	..	..
146	100	Flexello CSW	113	118	..	6.1	5.3	8.6
125	83	Fobel	83	88	..	2.0	2.3	7.3
56	39	Folkes Group N/V	47	49	..	2.2	4.6	9.7
79	56	French (Thomas)	69	73	..	3.9	5.5	19.5
144	112	GEI Int	113	116	..	7.8	6.8	13.3
344	278	GKN (aa)	313	314	●+2	20.3	6.5	9.3
730	690	GR	690	730	+5	13.7	1.9	15.2
164	126	Garton Eng	158	162	+3	6.9	4.3	11.5
237	187	Gestetner	191	197	..	3.3	1.7	9.6
235	182	Glaves	197	207	..	5.6	2.8	18.3
11	887	Glaxo (aa)	10⅛	10¼	-⅛	28.8	2.8	15.0
323	275	Glynwed (aa)	282	284	+4	11.5	4.1	12.2
295	267	Gordon Russell	275	285	● ..	8.5	3.0	15.5
290	235	Goring Kerr	258	278	r +3	20.0	7.5	10.3
283	218	Grampian Hldgs	272	275	..	5.5	2.0	34.3
340	283	Granada (aa)	294	297	●-1	13.7	4.6	11.6
88	58	Halal Precision	55	60	..	3.1	5.3	15.2
162	89	Halden MacLellan	157	160	-2	3.3	2.1	42.3
420	250	Hall Eng	355	365	..	17.2	4.8	11.1
165	128	Hall (M)	131	133	-3	7.5	5.7	13.8
186	142	Halma	175	177	..	2.2	1.3	18.6
79	53	Hampson Ind	67	72	r ..	2.2	3.1	9.9
139	45	Hanimex	127	-	..	..	..	..
145	123½	Hanson (aa)	143	144	-1	6.4	4.5	9.4
118	102	Do 5¾% Pf	107	109	● ..	7.7	7.1	..
129½	116	Do 10%	120	122	●+2	10.0	8.3	..
140	85	Harris (Philip)	110	120	● ..	7.3	6.3	8.8
335	273	Havelock Europa	305	315	● ..	11.5	3.7	14.2
543	440	Hawker Siddy (aa)	504	508	+3	25.1	5.0	10.9
135	78	Hay (Norman)	112	122	..	2.2	1.9	21.5
258	218	Hepworth	227	229	-2	13.9	6.1	..
326	255	Hestair	308	311	..	8.5	2.7	13.8
190	151	Hewitt (J)	152	157	-6	6.9	4.5	11.7
275	175	Highgate & Job	165	205	-5	..	..	51.0
368	268	High-Point	330	335	+5	6.5	2.0	18.7
144	84	Holmes Protection	102	105	-1	..	..	..
137	86	Hopkinsons	95	100	..	4.4	4.5	25.5
138	78	Howden	119	121	●+1	5.1	4.3	29.3
320	208	Hunter	307	315	● ..	4.0	1.3	20.3
380	298	Hunting Assoc	345	355	..	9.6	2.7	7.8
191	133	Huntleigh Group	147	152	..	8.0	5.3	8.2
73	48	Hutchison Whampoa	60	63	..	..	..	..
213	176	IMI (aa)	197	199	+1	9.9	5.0	11.3
131	86	ISA Intl	122	127	+2	1.6	1.3	24.8
180	112	Isotron	154	159	..	2.9	1.8	14.4
518	295	JS Pathology	290	315	..	7.3	2.4	15.3
122	85	Jacksons Bourne	94	99	..	2.7	2.8	24.9
105	71	Jardine Math	86	89	..	..	..	..
493	393	Johnson Cleaners	482	497	●+2	26.0	5.3	13.3
333	242	Johnson Matthey	314	316	..	9.3	3.0	11.4
44½	35	Johnson & FB	39½	40½	..	2.1	5.3	11.8
450	355	Johnston	385	425	..	13.7	3.3	9.5
148	96	Jones & Shipman	102	107	+2	5.7	5.4	57.3
133	102	Jourdan (Thomas)	108	112	● ..	6.7	6.1	10.9
55	40	Kalamazoo	48	50	+1	2.7	5.5	12.5
40½	31½	Kalon	34½	36	● ..	0.4	1.1	13.3
455	335	Keep Trust	368	383	-2	13.0	3.5	9.7
455	375	Kelsey Ind	370	390	+5	17.6	4.6	8.7
460	275	Kershaw (A)	425	435	●+2	26.3	6.1	23.2
700	515	Kleen-E-Ze	505	525	● ..	11.3	2.2	30.7

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1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
158	136	Lap	138	143	..	5.2	3.7	28.3
275	204	Laird	240	243	-2	10.8	4.5	10.3
83	65	Lawtex	70	75	..	2.7	3.7	6.6
146	76	Lee (Arthur)	108	113	..	4.6	4.1	12.1
130	109	Lilleshall	132	137	-1	3.3b	2.4	17.4
141	116	Linread	132	137	..	5.3	3.9	16.3
32	28	Locker (T)	28	31	..	1.9	6.3	11.6
295	199	Lon Ind	197	200	-20½	8.4	4.2	11.4
289	179	Low & Bonar	195	198	● ..	8.5	4.3	14.1
132	110	ML Hdgs	117	122	● ..	3.1b	2.6	12.5
133	63	MS Int	103	112	..	4.4	4.0	10.0
81	61	MY Holdings	75	77	..	2.1	2.8	15.4
341	208	Macarthy	232	238	●+11	15.3	6.5	9.7
178	155	Macfarlane	175	180	●+2	5.1	2.9	16.4
360	287	McKechnie	301	303	+3	16.4	5.4	11.9
148	101	McLeod Russel	112	117	..	6.0	5.2	15.8
147	115	Magnolia	115	125	..	6.1	5.1	9.8
21	700	Manchester Ship	17	19	..	..	..	22.6
269	164	Manganese Bronze	243	248	..	7.2	2.9	17.7
173	115	Marling	168	173	r ..	4.4	2.6	12.2
95	65	Mayborn	68	72	+2	4.8	6.9	8.6
116	90	Meggitt	89½	91	..	3.2	3.5	10.7
241	172	Metal Box (aa)	210	211	-1½	9.3	4.4	9.6
214	159	Metal Closures	188	193	+1	10.1	5.3	24.8
93	67	Metalrax	83	87	..	3.6	4.2	12.3
58	45	Michael Page	46	47	+½	0.7	1.5	..
36	18	Mining & Ald	21½	23	..	..	..	..
251	225	Molins	230	233	..	13.2	5.7	10.4
250	165	Monotype	160	170	..	7.3	4.4	7.8
268	215	Morgan Crucible	240	243	-2	13.3	5.5	11.0
157	95	MMC Group	115	125	r +2	3.1	2.6	11.2
165	98	Nash Ind	127	137	●+2	3.6	2.7	15.2
62	38	Neepsend	48	51	● ..	1.3	2.6	10.1
209	174	Neill (J)	172	179	-13	11.0	6.3	6.4
109	78	Nestor-BNA	103	107	-1	2.5	2.4	21.1
90	65	Noble & Lund	82	85	●+2	2.7	3.2	8.5
238	178	Nolo Gp	222	232	● ..	7.0	3.1	13.4
431	330	Norcros	334	338	+3	19.2	5.7	10.2
327	255	No-Swift Inds	258	303	..	13.3	4.4	10.6
162	105	Office Elect Mach	130	140	+2	..	..	13.0
142	105	Ogocas & Mco	130	140	..	6.1	4.5	13.2
855	615	Parker Knoll 'A'	800	830	..	27.4	3.4	13.4
383	293	Parkfield	300	304	+5	9.3	3.1	12.5
796	648	Pearson (aa)	685	690	●+9	22.0	3.2	15.1
142	102	Pentland Ind	113	117	..	1.3	1.1	8.5
127	90	Permagon	95	97	-1	..	..	..
440	305	Photo-Me	420	440	..	2.5	0.6	26.0
251	193	Pilkington (aa)	193	195	-3	11.2	5.8	7.2
300	225	Portals	248	258	+1	12.5	4.9	13.8
91	61	Porter Chadburn	81	83	●-1	1.4	1.7	18.6
404	320	Powell Duffryn	360	365	..	24.7	6.8	12.8
132	90	Powerscreen	94	96	..	4.7	4.9	8.3
150	114	Prestwich Hldgs	120	124	..	1.5	1.2	16.8
188	148	Radiant Metal	150	175	● ..	4.0	2.5	13.9
749	552	Rank Org (aa)	650	652	●+9	30.7	4.7	13.3
338	250	Ransome Sims	320	325	..	9.9	3.1	15.0
162	75	Ratcliffs (Gt Bridge)	135	145	● ..	1.7	1.2	63.1
958	770	Reckitt Colman (aa)	861	866	-2	39.7	3.6	12.9
535	448	Redfearn	452	462	..	12.7	2.8	9.8
227	165	Reed Executive	180	185	● ..	2.7	1.5	14.5
256	168	Relyon	237	244	● ..	7.1	2.9	14.6
185	142	Renishaw	177	180	..	3.7	2.1	14.2
67	51	Renold	65	66	..	2.0	3.1	20.2
573	439	Reuters (aa)	460	464	●+3	10.4	2.3	17.8
82	38	Rexmore	66	69	● ..	2.4	3.5	9.4
138	106	Ricardo Eng	110	115	..	4.3	3.8	20.9
300	102	Richard (Leics)	97	107	..	1.1	1.1	..
75	46	Richardson West	57	62	● ..	2.4	4.0	..
155	83	Robertson	116	121	+1	4.4	3.7	10.3
475	379	Robinson (Thomas)	377	380	●-1	13.3b	3.5	9.4
77	55	Rockware	58	60	+2	2.0	3.4	9.0
142	105	Ropner	129	132	-2	8.3	7.1	32.3
142	102	Do 'A'	128	132	-1	9.6	7.4	32.1
204	139	Rotork	151	154	● ..	9.5	6.2	12.4
77	55	Russell (A)	68	73	+1	2.8	3.7	22.2

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1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
68	32	SI	30	33	..	..	..	6.8
31¼	21⅛	SKF 'B'	293	..	+⅛	.. f	..	..
234	198	Sale Tilney	197	200	-3	13.7	6.9	19.3
58	38	Savile Gordon (J)	46	48	● ..	2.0	4.3	11.2
263	208	Scapa	247	249	-1	10.2	4.1	10.1
203	150	Scott Heritable	180	185	..	7.3b	4.0	15.5
180	142	Scott & Robertson	165	175	..	5.5	3.2	11.5
440	265	Securicor	407	417	● ..	1.6	0.4	58.1
435	210	Do 'A'	374	384	●-1	1.6	0.4	53.5
222	163	Securiguard	195	205	..	7.3	3.7	15.4
400	205	Security Serv	344	354	● ..	3.1	0.9	36.4
63½	47	Senior Eng	56	57½	+½	3.0	5.3	12.2
149	96	Shiloh	93	98	..	3.0	3.1	6.0
153	102	Sidlaw	133	138	..	8.3	6.1	16.0
396	300	Siebe (aa)	356	357	●-2½	11.7	3.3	8.5
185	113	Silentnight	157	162	..	7.2	4.5	14.6
284	230	Simon Eng	267	268	+½	16.4	6.1	11.3
119	101	Six Hundred	105	108	+1	7.7	7.2	9.4
402	343	Skelchley	382	392	-2	25.3	6.5	14.5
151	108½	Smith & Neph (aa)	117	117½	+¼	4.7	4.0	15.1
277	220	Smiths Ind (aa)	238	239	-½	9.3	3.9	13.6
252	210	Spear (JW)	246	256	..	8.2	3.3	37.3
193	168	Spirax-Sarco	184	187	-2	9.2	4.9	11.4
21½	11	Spong Hldgs	10½	11½	..	0.6	5.5	8.9
221	179	Spring Ram	182	186	+1	0.8	0.4	15.8
155	140	Stag Furniture	140	145	..	8.2	5.7	12.9
150	110	Star Comp	128	136	+1	2.1	1.6	13.0
179	140	Staveley	164	168	..	7.6	4.6	11.3
170	145	Sterling Ind	158	168	..	4.5	2.8	31.8
71	32	Stonehill	65	70	r ..	..	..	7.1
81	58	Summer Int	56	61	..	..	..	..
218	169	Sutter	177	179	..	7.3	4.1	14.5
147	112	Swire Pacific 'A'	125	129	+1	..	..	..
46	27	Sycamore	29	34	..	..	..	..
337	290	Syltone	290	310	●-5	15.3	5.1	11.5
191	164	T & N (aa)	173	175	..	11.8	6.8	8.2
369	288	TI	343	344	●+½	15.0	4.4	12.2
234	167	TNT	217	221	+3	..	..	..
319	180	Tace	195	215	s +10	14.7b	7.2	8.4
132⅛	108¼	Takeda Chem	119⅝	-	+1½	..	..	..
33	21	Talbex	20	22	-2½	..	..	..
188	135	Telfos	165	170	● ..	8.0	4.8	54.0
198	108	Tex Hldgs	183	193	-2	9.3	4.9	13.1
350	268	Third Mile	295	305	..	4.4	1.5	23.9
108	70	Thomson T-Line	72	75	● ..	2.1	2.8	13.7
259	206	Tomkins	211	213	●+1	6.0	2.8	8.6
347½	282	Trafalgar Hse (aa)	302	304	..	20.3	6.7	11.2
225	160	Transcontinental	160	170	● ..	12.8	7.8	13.4
250	205	Transport Dev	213	217	● ..	12.3	5.7	11.8
101	91	Triefus	99	103	+6	4.1	4.1	19.2
204	148	Triplex Lloyd	177	182	+1	6.0	3.3	11.2
415	310	UniCare	395	435	..	..	..	16.2
173	42	Unigroup	50	54	..	..	..	10.1
515	433	Unilever (aa)	458	463	-1	16.6	3.6	11.3
46	27⅛	Unilever (NV)	32⅛	-	+⅛	..	..	..
28	19	Utd Guarantee	18	20	..	..	..	..
558	392	VSEL	412	422	+2	13.3	3.2	9.0
73	17	Verson	21	23	..	0.4	1.8	31.4
183	149	Vickers	167	169	+4	9.2	5.5	10.8
200	147	Victon	163	173	● ..	5.3	3.2	15.6
88⅛	72¼	Volkswagen	105⅛	..	+¼	.. f	..	..
220	166	Vosper Thornycroft	195	200	●-2	10.3	5.2	10.7
208	155	Wade Potteries	152	158	+1	6.2	4.0	10.9
323	269	Wagon Ind	308	315	●+4	16.0	5.1	11.2
128	92	Walker, Greenbank	105	109	..	3.0	2.8	11.9
165	153	Warner Howard	174	184	..	4.0	2.2	18.5
116	69	Waterford Glass	102	105	+4	..	..	13.6
252	176	Weir	222	225	● ..	7.3	3.3	19.8
558	453	Wellcome (aa)	479	493	..	4.0	0.8	43.5
49	34	Wellman	37	38	+½	..	..	4.8
76	37	Westmex	65	..	r +1	..	..	..
335	307	Whatman Reeve	325	335	..	5.5	1.7	14.5
121	61	Whessoe	90	95	● ..	1.3	1.4	8.3
95	65	Whitecroft	81	83	● ..	2.3	2.8	23.8
325	243	Wiggins Teape	295	300	+3	15.3	5.1	11.8
209	139	Wilkes (James)	188	193	..	9.7	5.1	13.8
24½	19½	William Sons	19	20½	-½	0.3	1.5	18.2
318	257	Williams Hldgs (aa)	252	264	●+1	13.3	5.1	12.7
130	111	Wills Gp	111	116	..	5.5	4.8	20.2
285	230	Wolseley	237	242	+3	10.0	4.2	9.9
192	140	Wood (Arthur)	150	160	..	4.5	3.1	15.4
153	85	Wood (SW)	137	142	● ..	2.7	1.9	8.3
222	153	Worcester	197	207	..	2.8	1.4	21.2
263	165	Wyndham Eng	242	252	●+2	4.0	1.6	7.0
504	245	Yale & Valor	413	420	●-2	10.0	2.4	17.1
168	118	Young (H)	155	160	+8	5.3	3.4	13.3

INSURANCE

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
348	226	Abbey Life (aa)	301	303	+½	14.0	4.6	..
14⅛	950	Alex & Alex	14⅛	-	+⅛	..	..	..
521¼	358	Allianz Vers	521¼	-	+3⅛	..	..	..
20½	14¼	Am Gen	22⅛	-	-⅛	..	..	..
166	124	Archer (AJ)	130	135	-3	..	..	..
245	208	Bradstock	229	233	●+1	6.8	2.9	13.2
392	314	Britannic	330	335	●+3	19.7	5.9	..
407½	296	Com Union (aa)	326	328	●+3	22.7	6.9	12.4
225	158	FAI	183	195	..	..	..	..
954	794	Gen Accident (aa)	862	865	-10	50.7	5.9	21.7
199	165	GRE (aa)	174	176	-1½	11.6	6.6	..
449	364	Heath C E	405	413	-1	34.2	8.4	13.7
183	134	Hogg Rob & GM	142	145	+2	5.5	3.8	88.3
343	252	Legal & Gen (aa)	305	307	+3	16.3	5.3	39.0
192	147	Lloyd Thompson	180	190	..	2.3	1.2	..
309	238	London & Man	283	283	-1	11.9	4.2	40.1
210	146	Lon Utd Inv	142	150	-7	10.7	7.3	16.6
35	25⅛	Marsh & McLen	34	-	+⅛	..	..	..
223	130	PWS	143	144	..	14.0	9.9	5.9
547	410	Pearl (aa)	473	475	●-1	18.0	3.8	33.6
179	148	Prudential (aa)	153	155	..	9.1	5.9	..
485	398	Refuge	413	417	+1	25.0	6.0	22.0
439	361	Royal (aa)	363	366	●+1	27.3	7.5	..
245	199	Sedgwick (aa)	223	223	..	16.0	7.2	14.4
220	152	Steel Burrill	203	210	● ..	13.3	6.4	13.0
354	233	Stenge Hldgs	243	248	+3	10.2	4.2	15.6
10	785	Sun Alliance (aa)	966	969	+1	48.0	5.0	87.1
12½	11¼	Sun Life	11⅝	11⅝	● ..	46.4	3.9	..
553	355	Trade Indemnity	540	555	..	8.1	1.5	25.1
278	202	Willis Faber (aa)	228	231	-2	15.3	6.7	12.1
75	46	Windsor	45	50	..	.. e	..	-

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LEISURE

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
184	150	Anglia TV 'A'	170	175	..	8.5	4.9	24.0
340	175	Barr & WA 'A'	290	310	● ..	15.3	5.1	15.4
245	170	Boosey & Hawkes	227	237	-3	4.1	1.8	18.1
431	288	Brent Walker	380	383	+4	11.0	2.9	12.7
328	202	Campari	274	279	-3	9.3	3.4	7.8
342	161	Capital Radio	339	342	..	9.3	2.7	20.8
240	165	Castle Comm	230	240	..	9.6	4.1	16.6
568	447	Central TV	512	532	-7	30.1	5.8	9.4
148	100	Chrysalis	104	107	..	9.6	9.1	10.1
72½	64	Euro Leisure	65½	67	..	..	..	..
152	120	First Leisure	127	131	●+6	3.3	2.6	17.1
50	43	Grampian	47	50	..	3.4	6.9	7.6
281	209	HTV Group	206	214	-3	14.1	6.7	6.2
190	150	Hamburger Brooks	160	180	..	..	..	44.9
76	49	Julianas Hldgs	63	66	..	2.9	4.5	13.7
177	122	LWT Hldgs	138	144	-1	8.1	5.7	8.7
448	183	LandLeis	353	355	+3	10.7	3.0	9.4
118	68	Leisure Inv	97	101	+1	2.2	2.2	35.1
218	172	Mecca Leisure	172	175	+2	5.2	3.0	14.2
127	79	Medminster	120	125	..	3.9	3.2	16.0
436	315	Midsummer	432	439	+5	6.0	1.4	29.2
81	62	Owners Abroad	63	66	r ..	2.4	3.7	28.8
262	147	Pleasurama	222	225	r +25	8.3	3.7	14.2
253	133	Quadrant Group	225	235	+3	4.0	1.7	19.9
610	510	Really Useful	528	538	-2	18.7	3.5	16.7
240	169	Saga Gp	225	228	+1	6.7	3.0	40.5
434	342	Scot TV	355	368	-1	23.3	6.4	6.9
265	197	Stanley Leisure	236	246	●+1	4.8	2.0	17.0
362	286	TVS	296	298	-1	17.3	5.8	7.9
74	61	TSW	60	65	-1	3.8	6.0	9.7
393	302	Thames TV	363	370	-1	17.6	4.8	9.9
128	95	Tottenham Hotspur	98	103	..	6.9	6.8	18.3
179	129	TV-AM	137	142	..	6.0	4.3	9.3
322	254	Tyne Tees TV	300	308	..	20.0	6.6	7.8
92	64	Ulster TV	73	76	..	5.5	7.3	8.1
132	83	Virgin	124	127	●+1	3.5	2.8	13.8
135	77	Wembley	117	119	..	1.5	1.3	..
246	168	Yorkshire TV	198	203	-1	10.7	5.3	8.0
153	90	Zetters Gp	137	142	● ..	8.0	5.7	..
183	108	Zetters Leis	154	159	● ..	0.7	0.4	25.3

MINING

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
49⅛	37½	Am Gold	38¼	39¼	+⅛	..	..	..
7½	5⅛	Ang Amer Coal	5⅞	6⅛	-½	.. b	..	..
10¼	783	Ang Am	790	810	+7	..	..	..
388	210	Blyvoors	199	229	..	..	..	..
82	45	Bracken	40	60	..	..	..	..
10⅛	790	Buffels	775	825	+3	..	..	..
145	53	Butia	70	80	+2	..	..	..
458	287	CRA	402	407	+5	..	..	..
11⅛	873	Cons Goldfields (aa)	10⅛	10⅛	+⅛	42.7	4.1	10.4
714	552	De Beers	580	600	+2	..	..	..
207	125	Deelkraal	118	138	+1	..	..	..
1⅛	0⅝	Doornfontein	59	109	+1	..	..	..
6⅛	479	Driefontein	483	513	+6	..	..	..
100	65	DRX	65	95	..	..	..	..
3½	178	Durban	167	197	+2	..	..	..
340	214	E Daggs	208	228	-13	..	..	..
338	209	Elandsrand	202	222	+2	..	..	..
119	75	Elsburg	73	93	+1	..	..	..
284	212	E Rand Gold	202	222	-6	..	..	..
3⅝	275	E Rand Prop	254	304	+2	..	..	..
6	409	FS Cons	394	444	-5	..	..	..
294	125	FS Dev	125	150	..	.. e	..	..
10⅛	750	GFSA	735	785	+7	..	..	..
130	70	Geevor Tin	80	85	+2	..	..	59.3
9⅝	8⅛	Gen Mining	839	889	+8	..	..	..
88	63	GM Kalgoorli	71	76	+4	..	..	..
253	83	Greenwich Res	80	95	..	..	..	28.5
112	73	Grootvlei	64	84	+1	..	..	..
4⅛	349	Harmony	329	379	+3	..	..	..
421	300	Hartiess	313	333	+3	..	..	..
6½	4⅝	Kinross	481	531	+6	..	..	..
6⅛	478	Kloof	459	509	a ..	..	..	..
74	46	Leslie	39	59	+1	..	..	..
1⅜	82	Libanon	75	95	a ..	..	..	..
213	141	Loraine	137	167	+1	..	..	..
108	80	MIM	84	88	+3	..	..	..
811	645	Minorco	705	725	+3	..	..	..
163	89	Nth Broken Hill	125	129	-2	..	..	..
29	15	Nth Kalgurli	17	18	+½	..	..	..
15⅛	10¼	Orange Free	10¼	10⅝	+⅛	..	..	..
455	315	RTZ (aa)	427	430	-2	15.8	3.7	11.9
77½	8¼	Rand Mines Ltd	9	10	-⅛	..	..	..
375	250	Rand Mines Prop	237	262	..	..	..	..
49⅛	36⅛	Randfontein	35⅛	38⅛	+⅛	..	..	..
485	235	Renison	427	-	+4	..	..	..
7⅛	5¼	Rustenburg	5¼	5½	-⅛	26.0	4.8	40.5
5⅝	420	St Helena	400	440	-4	..	..	..
22½	15¼	Southvaal	15¼	15⅝	+⅛	..	..	..
271	160	Stilfontein	153	173	+3	..	..	..
338	171	Unisel	161	181	-6	..	..	..
52¼	36⅛	Vaal Reefs	36¼	37¼	-½	..	..	..
162	99	Venterspost	75	125	+1	..	..	..
416	273	Welkom	265	285	+1	..	..	..
188	119	Western Areas	112	132	+1	..	..	..
22⅛	15¼	Western Deep	15¼	15⅝	+⅛	..	..	..
315	160	Western Mining	246	250	+2	..	..	..
141	97	Winm Creek	94	99	-4	..	..	..
10	6⅞	Winkels	794	844	+7	..	..	..
28	9½	Zambia Copper	20	22	..	.. e	..	..
104	51	Zandpan	62	-	..	..	..	..

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
445	63	AC	82	87	s +2	5.6	6.6	2.5
491	315	Appleyard	448	457	●+2	18.7	4.1	11.5
159	118	Armstrong	127	129	+3	4.7	3.7	12.2
800	800	Bramall (CD)	550	650	..	6.1	1.0	23.6
621	323	Br Aerospace (aa)	454	457	+5	25.6	5.6	9.9
578	410	Caffyns	500	510	..	13.3	2.6	12.5
134	102½	Cowie (T)	110	113	+1	4.3	3.8	9.2
140	111	Dag Motors	121	126	-1	4.8	3.9	9.8
219	165	Dowty	203	204	+1½	9.3	4.6	10.9
473	195	ERF	390	405	+2	12.0	3.0	6.0
289	205	FR Group	208	212	+1	6.3	3.0	10.9
158	118	Ford Motor	154	-	+2	..	..	..
239	164	General Motor	274	-	●+4	..	..	..
140	97	Hartwell Plc	113	117	..	3.6	3.1	14.2
16⅛	726	Honda Motor	961	-	+17	..	..	..
96	50	Jacks (Wm)	87	92	+2	2.3	2.6	18.1
350	238	Jaguar (aa)	240	243	● ..	14.0	5.8	7.2
208	145	Jessups	175	185	..	7.5	4.2	12.4
133	100	Kwik-Fit	102	104	..	2.5	2.4	14.1
148	85	Lancaster	133	140	+2	2.9	2.1	10.5
420	277	Lex	358	360	● ..	16.8	4.7	10.9
192	120	Lookers	167	177	●+2	6.0	3.5	9.5
645	507	Lucas (aa)	532	534	+2	27.4	5.1	7.1
247	188	Perry gp	227	232	-2	10.0	4.3	11.3
193	138	Plaxton	183	188	..	6.5	3.5	29.2
182	70	Quicks Group	126	133	+1	6.2	4.8	6.7
147½	108	Rolls-Royce (aa)	129	129½	-3¼	7.2	5.6	6.9
102	15	Rover	93	100	..	..	..	..
50½	28	Tinbroce	40½	41½	..	1.3	3.2	11.5
617	347	Western Motor	561	587	-2	6.7	1.2	9.7
110	75	Westland	95	98	..	4.7	4.8	5.3

NEWSPAPERS, PUBLISHERS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
183	160	Accord	98	108	..	4.7	4.6	10.3
150	85	Adscene	127	132	●+1	5.7	4.4	14.4
545	438	Assoc Newspaper	475	477	..	10.0	2.1	16.0
310	260	Benbow Index	265	285	● ..	7.3	2.7	16.4
405	365	Black (A&C)	395	405	..	16.3	4.1	13.0
251	210	Bristol	225	235	+2	12.0	5.2	15.5
93	27½	Countsearch	67	70	+2	0.6	0.9	26.8
610	525	Collins (Wm)	530	540	..	16.3	3.0	13.3
510	426	Do 'A'	443	452	+2	16.3	3.6	11.1
234	176	EMAP	194	197	..	5.6	2.9	18.4
538	338	Haynes Publishing	520	545	..	22.7	4.3	16.7
408	250	Home Counties	401	411	●+1	11.7	2.9	12.0
133	99	Intl Bus Comms	117	121	..	5.1	4.3	10.9
480	323	Independent	450	500	+15	..	..	..
685	485	Int Thomson	660	680	+25	..	..	..
270	190	Maxwell Comm (aa)	189	191	-2	18.7	9.8	10.1
295	199	News International	210	220	..	5.4	2.5	..
276	248	Portsmouth Sund	245	250	..	7.0	2.8	11.8
471	378	Reed Int (aa)	410	412	+1	13.3	3.2	13.4
182	127	Trinity Intl	172	182	+2	6.7	3.8	14.5
455	379	Utd Newspapers (aa)	383	386	-1	26.0	6.8	10.7

OILS, GAS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
84	59	Aran Energy	65	67	..	..	..	67.3
11	4½	Atlantic Resources	5	6	..	..	..	..
36	28	Aus Oil & Gas	31	-	..	..	..	..
18	6	Berry Pet	7	8	..	..	..	..
10½	6	BOM	7	8	..	..	..	50.0
10	5	Do 2hp	6½	7½	..	..	..	46.7
498	455	Br Borneo	445	465	..	31.3	6.9	14.1
193	164	British Gas (aa)	167	169	●-1½	10.7	6.4	8.5
288	233	Br Petroleum (aa)	245	247	●+5½	17.3	7.0	9.8
153	136	Br Petroleum p/p	147	148	●+6	17.3	11.7	..
582	430	Burmah (aa)	508	510	-1	23.3	4.6	12.6
409	240	Calor Gp	373	378	+13	21.3	5.7	12.1
131	79	Carless	80	82	+2	3.7	4.6	57.9
78	50	Casben Oil	48	52	+1	..	..	..
185	156	Century	172	177	+2	8.0	4.6	15.2
148	101½	Clyde	126	128	+7½	..	..	62.9
670	257	Enterprise (aa)	668	671	+28	13.3	2.0	39.5
127½	76½	Goal Pet	107	109	+5	1.4	1.3	43.2
133	103	Gt Western Res	106	111	+1	5.0	4.6	-
17½	11⅛	Hamilton	173	..	+⅛	.. f	..	..
200	168	Hunting P S	160	170	..	12.0	7.3	10.8
25	16	KCA Drilling	17	19	..	..	..	4.7
76	33	Kelt Energy	43	45	..	..	..	..
574	271	LASMO (aa)	567	570	+3	10.3	1.8	50.9
195	140	Do Units	180	190	+5	41.7	22.5	..
34	19	Manopa	22	24	..	..	..	..
27	16	New London Oil	16	18	+1	..	..	..
87	32	Oil Search	37	40	+2	..	..	..
69	47	Petrocon	48	55	+1	..	..	8.2
2¼	1¼	Petrox	1½	2	..	..	..	..
66	46	Premier	59	60	+2	..	..	20.9
373	221	Ranger	348	353	+13	..	..	..
67⅛	59¼	Royal Dutch	65	-	+1⅛	..	..	..
11	964	Shell (aa)	10⅛	10⅛	+⅛	65.8	6.5	10.8
340	163	Sildelene	306	316	..	12.3	4.0	10.0
175	91	Sovereign	170	175	+1	..	..	45.9
17	11	TR Energy	11	13	..	..	..	11.6
6	3	Target	2	4	..	..	..	..
200	119	Triton Europe	165	167	+1	..	..	..
308	169	Ultramar (aa)	230	233	r +14	8.9	3.8	22.5
91	44	Woodside	72	76	..	..	..	-

OVERSEAS TRADERS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
54	33	Boustead	41	43	+1	0.7	1.7	19.2
153	117	Challington	118	125	..	9.3	7.6	9.6
109	79	Finlay (James)	105	108	-1	5.5	5.1	..
676	548	Harrison Crosfld (aa)	618	622	..	34.7	5.6	17.3
228	155	Inchcape (aa)	207	209	-4	..	..	17.4
269	163	Lonrho (aa)	260	261	●+1	15.8	6.1	12.1
71	46	Ocean Wilson	43	48	-1	3.3	7.2	8.6
355	305	Paterson Zoch	320	330	+2	9.9	3.0	10.1
355	305	Do 'A'	320	330	+2	9.9	3.0	10.1
330	240	Polly Peck (aa)	308	312	+1	8.8	2.8	7.4
89	52	Sime Darby	80	85	..	..	..	..
108	72	Tozer Kemsley	85	87	-1	3.3	3.8	8.6

PAPER, PRINT, ADVERTISING

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
266	202	Abbott Mead	250	255	..	6.3	2.5	14.0
44	32	Acrtison Cons	32	34	..	1.9	5.8	7.6
271	238	Assoc Paper	261	266	-1	11.0	4.2	11.7
430	275	BPP	335	375	● ..	9.9	2.8	21.2
181	110	Barker (Charles)	135	140	..	4.5	3.3	15.0
222	181	Bemrose	208	212	-1	13.7b	6.5	12.7
301	225	Boase Massimi	225	230	..	9.6b	4.2	11.6
244	175	Browning	170	180	r ..	5.0	2.9	13.2
191	121	Bunzl (aa)	124	127	+1	7.1	5.6	11.3
815	579	Carlton Comm	587	595	+1	8.1	1.4	21.4
343	263	Chapman	325	350	-5	13.3	3.9	13.0
238	173	Cropper (James)	210	225	-5	2.8	1.3	9.8
487	357	DRG	449	451	+6	14.7	3.3	16.8
156	98	Davidson Pearce	135	140	..	4.4	3.2	12.5
118	65	Delyn Packaging	102	107	..	1.5	1.4	20.4
308	259	Ferguson Ind	258	262	..	13.3	5.1	11.6
282	199	FKB	274	284	●+4	6.7	2.4	14.9
395	315	Fitch-RS	350	360	..	..	..	..
70	33	Geers Gross	48	53	..	..	..	13.9
279	227	Gold Greenlees	246	250	●-1	7.2	2.9	11.0
397	315	Hunterprint	315	325	..	10.7	3.3	14.6
143	131	Johnston Press	130	135	+2	1.3	1.0	..
307	255	KLP	263	273	r ..	7.1	2.6	14.3
98	67	Kelsen	78	80	..	..	..	20.8
256	158	Logex	222	227	..	7.2	3.2	15.7
414	326	Lowe HS & B	392	397	..	13.7	3.5	13.3
190	140	MIL Research	145	155	..	4.4	2.9	11.5
271	174	More O'Ferrall	237	242	..	10.4	4.3	11.8
154	121	Norton Opax	122	124	● ..	5.3	4.3	10.2
16½	12½	Ogilvy & Mather	16	-	+⅛	..	..	..
193	128	Oliver Paper	170	180	..	..	..	..
117	85	Paragon Comms	92	97	..	2.4	2.5	10.6
237	185	St Ives Gp	197	205	+2	2.9	1.4	9.1
451	334	Saatchi 10p (aa)	345	348	●-1	20.7	6.0	7.6
108	79	Do Conv	80	82	● ..	8.4	10.4	..
510	415	Starwick	437	447	+2	8.2	1.9	14.7
385	308	Smith David	307	310	●-3	9.3	3.0	10.2
493	305	Smurfit (Jeff)	425	435	-5	..	..	..
190	135	UK Paper	159	162	●+1	5.3	3.3	9.3
362	232	Usher Walker	352	372	+2	11.8	3.3	12.9
463	268	VPI Gp	282	285	..	4.7	1.7	17.0
271	195	WCRS	203	205	● ..	5.3	2.6	8.7
633	403	WPP	555	562	..	13.7	2.5	20.2
328	180	Wace	305	308	●-2	4.3	1.4	26.4
214	177	Waddington (J)	197	200	..	8.8	4.4	13.4
435	304	Watmough	406	416	+1	9.4	2.3	21.6
96	64	Waverley Cam	70	75	..	0.3	0.4	..
193	138	Yellowhammer	182	187	+2	3.3	1.8	13.3

PROPERTY

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
131	89	Allied Lon	115	118	+1	3.8	3.2	15.7
209	133	Arlington Secs	146	150	-1	5.5	3.7	10.7
195	108	Asda	157	182	..	1.4	0.9	45.7
132	93	BHH Group	97	99	..	1.7	1.7	18.1
280	210	Baker Harris	215	225	● ..	8.3	3.8	10.8
460	333	Bilton (P)	418	428	-7	19.2	4.5	23.4
720	585	Bradford	660	680	+10	16.7	2.5	15.4
361	247	Br Land (aa)	314	316	-5	5.3	1.7	17.7
338	218	Brixton	317	321	-2	10.4	3.3	28.4
298	128	Card Gp	290	305	..	1.4	0.5	..
423	318	Cap & Counties	360	375	● ..	12.3	3.3	22.4
425	325	Cardiff Prop	400	450	● ..	2.8	0.6	..
820	553	Chesterfield	750	770	..	19.3	2.5	26.3
173	145	Chrsbe	162	167	..	4.7	2.8	15.2
270	170	Citygrove	225	235	..	6.7	2.9	11.8
140	85	Clarke Nickolls	112	122	-5	5.0	4.3	12.4
297	203	Clayform	227	237	-1	11.7	5.0	8.6
360	265	Connells	260	270	-3	11.0	4.2	10.0
60	43	Control Secs	51	52	-½	0.5	1.0	10.1
360	300	Cussins	292	312	..	9.9	3.3	63.7
12	725	Daejan	10¼	10⅝	..	25.3	2.4	11.9
37½	28½	Oates Estates	28½	29½	● ..	0.9	3.1	20.3
190	118	Debenham Tewson	148	158	+1	6.7	4.4	12.1
131	72	De Morgan	100	105	..	3.3	3.2	16.4
222	133	Dencora	190	200	..	4.1	2.1	12.1
640	518	Derwent Hldgs	595	615	..	7.0	1.2	30.3
83	74	Dukeminster	72	75	..	1.5	2.0	..
241	143	Egerton Trust	210	214	-2	7.3	3.4	12.3
265	160	Estates & Agency	260	270	+10	4.0	1.5	41.2
190	128	Estates Gen	185	190	● ..	4.0	2.1	61.6
195	126	Evans Of Leeds	176	180	..	7.3	4.1	14.4
78	54	Five Oaks	52	57	r +1	1.31	2.4	7.5
223	155	Fletcher King	200	210	● ..	9.7	4.7	12.5
411	275	Frogmore	393	399	+6	9.3	2.3	14.4
503	325	Grainger	450	550	..	4.7	0.9	36.4
373	265	Gt Portland	338	341	-4	10.8	3.2	31.6
447	298	Greycoat	361	364	●-8	4.8	1.3	31.8
10¼	8½	Halwood Gp	9	-	..	..	..	..
116	67	Hambro Countrywd	77	81	..	3.8	4.8	11.4
673	592½	Hammerson	645	652	-1	15.8	2.4	27.9
656	494	Do 'A' (aa)	617	622	-2	15.8	2.5	26.7
235	175	Hanover Druce	170	190	-5	5.8	3.2	12.6
750	575	Hardanger	680	720	..	23.1	3.3	18.2
370	188	Helical Bar	290	295	..	4.5	1.5	13.4
160	142	Herring Son	140	145	..	..	..	..
64	50	Hong Kong Land	58	61	..	..	..	..
420	340	Imry Merch	347	351	● ..	10.0	2.9	22.7
450	250	Jermyn	250	350	r +50	2.2	0.7	..
186	85	Kentish Prop	111	116	+1	3.1	2.7	8.0
553	318	Laing Prop	463	472	-2	12.3	2.6	17.5
602	450	Land Sec (aa)	541	544	-11	16.7	3.1	28.7
550	430	Local Lon	450	483	-8	10.0	2.2	14.1
160	109	Lon & Edin Tst	127	128	-½	2.7	2.1	11.9
122	100	Do 6% Cv	102	104	● ..	8.0	7.8	..
204	137	Lon & Metro	150	155	+4	6.5	4.2	9.6
55	34	Lon Securities	47	48	●-1	0.7	1.5	6.3
248	193	Lon Shop	232	237	● ..	9.5	4.0	17.0
587	434	MEPC (aa)	524	527	-7	17.7	3.4	27.4
203	168	McInerney	165	180	..	..	..	..
205	150	McKay Secs	190	200	●+10	6.4	3.3	24.1
95	60	Marlborough	67	71	●+2	4.7	6.8	5.4
91	47	Marler	82	85	● ..	0.8	1.0	24.9
465	285	Marwale Moore	420	440	-5	9.3	2.2	10.1
140	90	Merlin Intl	98	103	..	0.9	0.9	46.3
135	120	Moorfield Estates	127	132	..	4.3	3.3	13.9
186	128	Mountleigh	139	141	●-4	5.0	3.6	6.2
15	975	Mountview	14¼	15¼	..	17.3	0.8	10.8
197	133	Muckiow (A&J)	161	165	..	8.5	5.2	18.8
120	83	New Cavendish	96	101	-2	2.1	2.1	..
25	17¼	Osbory Est	19	20	-⅛	0.2	1.0	18.9
148	92	Parkdale	90	95	●+1	3.2	3.4	..
649	367	Peachey	643	648	+1	6.0	0.9	27.6
145	100	Pennant Prop	97	107	..	3.0	2.9	..
148	66	Power Corp	123	133	+1	..	..	..
424	280	Priest Marians	370	378	+3	2.1	0.6	20.1
182	130	Prop Security	178	180	●-3	4.3b	2.4	33.5
24	14½	Raglan	16	17½	●-½	0.2	1.2	38.5
217	135	Regalian	141	143	-1	4.7	3.3	8.6
793	513	Rosehaugh	625	632	-2	1.7	0.3	32.8
300	180	Rush & Tompkins	260	280	●-5	16.7	6.2	8.6
142	114	Scot Met	127	129	..	6.4	5.0	24.3
186	118	Shaftsbury	168	173	..	..	..	..
91	52	Sheraton Secs	76	78	..	3.0	3.9	12.5
145	78	Shield Gp	77	82	..	4.0	5.0	12.9
110	82	Sinclair Goldsmith	87	92	..	4.0	4.4	10.8
314	233	Slough Estates (aa)	298	301	● ..	10.4	3.5	19.8
189	142	Southend Prop	147	150	● ..	0.5	0.3	37.4
404	268	Speyhawk	294	300	+1	15.3	5.2	10.6
98	68	Town Centre	83	87	+1	1.9	2.2	40.7
198	127	Trafford Park	180	190	-5	6.1	3.3	32.0
838	400	Uk Land	715	740	..	6.9	0.9	29.2
74	39	Union Square	48	51	r +2	0.9	1.8	18.5
270	183	Warner	243	253	+3	7.6	3.1	41.3
11⅛	825	Warnford	11½	11⅝	● ..	26.7	2.3	34.7
145	103	Warrington	100	110	+2	..	..	12.0
154	100	Waterglade	105	115	r +2	5.3	4.8	8.2
189	159	Wates	165	167	● ..	3.7	2.2	38.5
58½	46	Webb (Jos)	51	53	● ..	1.3	2.5	15.3
200	133	West & Country	185	195	● ..	2.9	1.5	7.5

SHIPPING

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
506	438	Assoc Br Ports	506	512	+16	10.3	2.0	15.4
393	320	Caledonia	340	350	+6	9.3	2.7	39.5
188	135	Clarkson (H)	160	165	..	7.2	4.4	16.1
151	71	Fisher (James)	143	148	● ..	5.1	3.5	22.4
795	585	Graig	710	760	● ..	26.7	3.6	8.4
88	69	Jacobs (JI)	80	83	..	5.6	6.8	16.6
435	263	Mersey Docks	378	382	+2	..	..	22.0
300	238	Ocean Transport	235	242	-3	14.3	6.0	9.3
620	501	P & O Dfd (aa)	535	538	+3	31.3	5.8	12.8
152	113	P & O 5.5%	125	130	+7	7.3	5.7	..
355	208	Runciman (Walter)	320	325	..	12.7b	3.9	15.3
428	313	Tabook	390	405	● ..	7.2	1.8	12.0
217	108	Turnbull Scott	210	220	+2	6.0	2.8	16.5

SHOES, LEATHER

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
95	77	Headlam Sims	73	80	-2	1.3	1.7	21.0
270	110	Lambert Howarth	127	137	●+2	11.3	8.6	4.8
309	145	Pittard Garnar	153	157	..	8.1	5.2	8.0
265	208	Strong & Fisher	238	243	+1	14.7	6.1	8.7
360	235	Stylo	260	300	●-10	6.7	2.3	-

TEXTILES

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
380	300	Allied Text	348	355	● ..	12.8	3.6	16.8
285	228	Beale (John)	265	275	● ..	8.4	3.1	10.1
118	107	Beckman (A)	110	115	..	7.9	7.0	11.2
63	34	Bolton	53	58	+5	..	..	38.9
211	180	Br Mohair	205	210	+3	10.3	5.0	8.0
88	55	Carah	73	76	+1	2.2	2.9	21.4
365	280	Courtaulds (aa)	305	307	+2	16.0	5.2	8.1
133	86	CoxMoore	115	120	● ..	5.0	4.2	13.6
245	187	Dawson	208	210	+1	10.4	5.0	10.5
130	100	Drummond	113	117	● ..	4.1	3.6	7.2
164	106	Foster (John)	137	142	..	6.3	4.5	9.1
207	165	Gaskell Broadloom	200	210	..	9.2	4.5	10.1
79	51	Hicking Pentecost	73	76	●-1	0.7e	0.9	13.4
183	128	Illingworth	160	165	..	6.0	3.7	12.0
279	170	Jerome (S)	255	262	..	8.9	3.4	10.6
314	229	Lamont	279	283	..	9.8	3.4	10.7
405	225	Leeds	338	348	..	8.9	2.6	12.0
142	110	Lister	127	131	● ..	5.3	4.1	8.4
84	68	Lyles (S)	75	80	..	4.5	5.8	18.3
320	250	Mackay (Hugh)	305	325	+5	9.6	3.0	14.9
57	41	Mentmore	48	51	..	..	..	..
210	163	Parkland 'A'	187	202	..	7.6	3.8	10.9
81	62	Readicut	71	72	..	3.6	5.0	8.9
171	141	SEET	137	144	..	7.1	5.0	13.3
128	97	Sirdar	109	112	..	6.9	6.2	13.8
120	90	Smallshaw (R)	95	165	..	13.4	13.4	8.7
75	58	Stoddard	55	60	●-2	3.0	5.2	7.7
212	167	Textured Jersey	175	182	● ..	9.3	5.2	15.0
585	412	Tomkinsons	527	547	+2	10.7	2.0	14.8
123	52	Tootal	98½	99½	-½	6.2	6.3	9.0
53	25	West Trust	43	48	..	..	..	15.2
250	193	Yorkyde	236	238	-7	11.0b	4.7	7.8

TOBACCOS

1988 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
483	399	BAT (aa)	440	441	+1	24.0	5.4	9.1
150	125	Carroll	128	138	..	..	..	..
447	365	Rothmans 'B' (aa)	408	411	-1	13.3	3.2	8.9

● Ex dividend a Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment k Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data.

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL Tel: 0345 717373 (Linkline)				
Gilt & Fixed	109.9	116.6●	..	8.58
Hi Inc Equity	113.2	121.1	+1.5	4.91
Worldwide Bd	192.7	204.3●	+0.1	4.75
American Gth	156.0	165.9	+2.4	0.83
Asian Pacific	72.41	77.03	+0.57	1.40
Assets & Earns	134.4	143.8	+0.8	1.27
Capital Res	79.83	79.86	+0.01	3.78
Comm Energy	91.37	97.73	+1.81	0.00
Euro Capital	72.80	77.44	+0.45	0.97
General	158.6	169.7●	+2.3	2.67
Japan	91.40	97.78	+0.42	0.00
UK Gth Inc	117.5	125.1	+0.5	1.83
Do Acc	173.3	184.4	+0.6	1.24
US Emerg Co	44.10	47.17	+0.67	0.00
Income Gth	254.5	270.7	+2.9	3.51
Master Acc	72.13	77.15	+0.57	2.11
American Inc	44.45	47.22●	+0.54	5.80
Ethical Tst	43.16	45.91	+0.20	2.72
ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
10, Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ Tel: 0224 633070 Salisbury House 30, Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ Tel: 01-374 6801 dealing (Freephone) 0800 833580				
American	42.46	45.17	+0.74	2.01
Australian	23.70	25.22●	+0.55	1.36
Euro Tst	42.04	44.56	+0.03	0.00
Extra Inc	36.39	38.63●	+0.06	5.54
Fund Invest	96.16	102.2	+0.77	1.00
Do Acc	145.7	154.8	+1.2	1.00
Gilt/Fxd Interest	22.15	23.57●	+0.04	10.13
Global Income	35.02	37.26	+0.16	5.18
Income Growth	63.83	67.90	+0.68	4.41
Japan Gen	164.2	174.6	-0.8	0.01
N Amer Inc	26.38	28.00	+0.37	3.24
Special Sits	61.64	65.56	+0.56	1.34
UK Growth	30.80	32.69	+0.14	2.83
World Gth	39.38	41.80	+0.53	1.41
AETNA UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
407, St. John Street London EC1V 4QE Tel: 01-837 6494				
Euro Gth Acc	117.1	●	+4.2	1.04
Exempt	378.7	398.7●	+1.5	4.83
Far Eastern	217.6	232.7●	+1.4	0.00
Fin & Prop	76.40	80.55●	+0.14	2.83
Hi Yield	74.95	79.39	+0.30	4.80
Income & Gth	296.4	314.0●	+0.7	4.55
Intl Earnings	176.7	187.1	+0.5	2.99
Int Gth Inc	87.76	93.46●	+0.40	0.24
Japan Gth Acc	153.8	164.3	+0.6	0.00
N Amer Gth Inc	117.8	126.6	+0.2	2.52
Preference Inc	133.3	141.3	-0.2	8.60
Sml Co Div Inc	91.53	96.96	-0.02	4.53
Sml Co Gth	290.4	307.7●	-0.4	1.56
Spec Sits Inc	126.8	134.3	+1.3	1.56
UK Growth	360.5	381.6	-0.2	3.42
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS				
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL Tel: 0793 28291 dealing:0793 610366				
High Income	278.4	296.4●	+0.3	5.00
Equity Inc	164.7	175.3	..	4.45
High Yield	165.9	177.7	-0.6	5.33
Balanced	400.0	426.0	..	3.38
Amer Inc	28.50	30.35●	+0.07	4.48
World Ass Val	27.39	29.17●	+0.42	1.03
Japan	140.8	149.9	+0.4	0.01
Sec of Amer	185.6	197.6	+3.1	1.11
Asset Value	308.6	328.6	+0.8	3.03
O'seas Earn	202.0	215.8	+1.5	3.25
Recovery	95.6	101.8	..	2.83
UK Spec Sits	242.7	258.4●	+0.5	2.80
Smlr Co	161.1	171.5	+0.1	2.06
Capital	240.6	256.2	+0.1	3.11
Amer Spec Sit	63.77	67.91●	+0.74	1.90
International	92.07	98.05●	+0.35	1.01
Growth & Inc	145.5	154.9	-0.5	3.65
Euro Gth	18.08	19.25●	+0.05	1.30
Pacific	220.7	235.0	+3.0	0.29
2nd Smlr Co	180.9	192.6●	-0.2	2.03
BARCLAYS UNICORN				
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 Tel: 01-534 5544				
Capital	75.81	81.13●	+1.16	3.53

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Income	41.48	44.13s	+0.30	4.71
Far East	29.08	30.94s	+0.16	0.20
Nth American	27.27	29.01s	+0.33	0.71
Global	43.54	46.32●	+0.27	0.74
European	40.51	43.10●	-0.01	1.24
Japan	86.04	91.53	+0.35	0.01
Strategic Opp	48.26	51.36	+0.20	1.46
Do Acc	46.46	49.23	..	3.18
Intl Currency	45.67	48.04	+0.29	6.00
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT				
PO Box 552 Winchester Hse, 77 London Wall, London EC2M 1DE Tel: 01-588 0098				
Capital	389.0	415.7	+3.8	3.26
European S S	49.02	52.33	+0.21	3.11
Far East S S	51.91	55.40	+0.29	0.85
Gold Gen S S	51.26	54.70	+0.73	0.59
Income	335.9	358.4	+2.8	5.25
Intl Sp Sits	49.48	52.80	+0.56	1.94
Nth Amer	245.9	262.4	+5.6	2.17
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND				
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 01-588 1815				
Investment	443.45	●	..	5.00
Fixed Int	140.3		..	10.19
Deposit	100.0		..	10.00
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND				
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 01-588 1815				
Income	417.72	●	..	5.29
Acc	873.2256		..	..
Deposit	100.0		..	10.60
CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MNGRS				
Woolgate House, Coleman Street London EC2P 2HD Tel: 01-606 6622				
Man Retmnt	22.60	23.92c	..	..
SC Special Sits	65.24	69.03	..	0.30
CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH Tel: 0800 373393				
Amer Gth	20.13	21.41	..	0.45
Asian Gth	22.22	23.64	+0.08	0.79
Dragon Gth	24.44	26.00	+0.09	1.80
Equity Hi Inc	54.88	58.03●	+0.09	5.22
Do Acc	56.36	58.40●	+0.10	5.22
European Gth	25.41	27.08	-0.16	1.53
Gen Equity	46.79	49.58●	+0.12	3.25
G/F Intrst Gth	32.14	33.74●	..	7.88
Gilt & Fixed Inc	24.22	25.43	..	9.29
Intl Income Tst	22.41	23.84●	+0.01	5.81
Japan Gth	46.75	49.74	+0.14	0.00
Pedigree Gth	27.54	29.30	+0.07	2.51
Special Sits	32.84	34.84●	..	2.25
Assurance &				
Hme In WP Rg	97.7	102.8	+0.1	..
Hme In WP Sp	97.7	102.8	+0.1	..
COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS				
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ Tel: 01-283 7500 Dealing 01-686 9818				
UK & Gen Inc	51.59	54.88	+0.09	2.53
Do Acc	53.75	57.18	+0.11	2.53
Income Inc	53.24	56.64●	+0.12	3.58
Do Acc	56.23	59.82●	+0.13	3.58
Worldwide Inc	44.23	47.30	+0.07	0.41
Do Acc	44.86	47.90	+0.04	0.41
Gamma Inc	34.36	36.55	+0.07	0.83
Do Acc	34.51	36.71	+0.07	0.83
Amer Gth	52.10	55.43	+0.18	0.61
Euro Gth	55.53	59.07	+0.04	0.72
Far East	63.16	67.19	+0.17	0.00
Gilt & Fxd Int	45.88	48.33●	-0.03	8.41
World Bond	47.38	50.14●	+0.09	5.44
Private Inv Pt	46.92	49.71	+0.02	3.15
Profess Inv Pt	49.43	52.59	+0.13	1.09
Progress Inv Pt	49.43	52.59	+0.13	1.09
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD				
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW Tel: 04862 5033				
Amer Tst	108.0	115.2	+2.4	0.72
Canadian Gth	20.43	21.79	+0.68	1.01
European Tst	95.91	102.3	+1.36	0.89
Growth Tst	247.8	266.2●	+1.3	2.87

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Do Inc	140.6	149.6	+0.9	3.76
Higher Inc Acc	313.4	333.4	+2.1	4.97
Do Inc	236.7	251.8	+1.5	4.97
Gilts & Fxd Acc	110.8	118.4●	..	9.06
Do Inc	79.3	83.8●	-0.2	9.06
N Amer Acc	115.6	123.0	+2.2	0.12
Far East Acc	210.9	224.4	+1.0	0.03
Euro Tst Acc	134.8	143.4●	+0.6	0.25
Gen Tst	263.1	269.3●	+1.8	4.06
Brit Excell	38.69	41.16	+0.28	3.47
Br Fdmtls Inc	46.34	49.30●	+0.26	5.44
Do Acc	47.67	50.83●	+0.27	5.44
FOREIGN & COLONIAL				
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA Tel: 01-623 4680				
US Smlr Co	66.09	70.69	+0.73	0.82
UK Inc Fd	87.19	93.25●	+0.70	4.67
Far East Fd	86.59	92.53●	+0.39	0.60
Overseas Inc	62.04	66.35	+0.53	4.31
Fxd Interest	52.76	55.95	..	9.98
Natural Res Fd	55.87	59.75	+1.23	2.04
European Inc	61.88	66.16●	+0.16	2.21
Financiala Fd	46.13	48.26●	+0.28	2.47
Intl Tech Fd	97.1	103.8●	+0.3	0.77
UK Gth	64.26	68.72	+0.29	2.35
US Major	47.11	50.35	+0.46	0.67
FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
190, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA Tel: 041-332 3132				
Balan Gth Acc	66.07	68.22	-0.03	1.20
Do Inc	63.24	67.27	-0.04	1.20
Hi Yield Acc	29.46	31.34	+0.05	4.60
Do Inc	27.42	29.18	+0.04	4.60
Inc Gth Acc	55.93	59.50	+0.23	3.50
Do Inc	47.92	50.98	+0.19	3.50
Serv Co Acc	66.93	71.20	+0.32	0.70
Do Inc	65.36	69.53	+0.31	0.70
Amer Gth Acc	23.87	25.41●	+0.27	1.20
Do Inc	23.62	25.13●	+0.26	1.20
Euro Gth Acc	16.25	17.28●	-0.01	2.00
Do Inc	16.07	17.09●	-0.02	2.00
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD				
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY Tel: 0800 414161				
American	106.1	112.4	+1.7	0.81
Amer Eqty Inc	28.31	30.05	+0.26	5.37
Amer Spec Sit	52.41	55.48	+1.17	0.72
Australia	26.30	27.94	+0.61	1.95
European	57.73	61.43	+0.35	..
European Inc	20.68	22.04●	+0.09	4.40
Global Conv	21.76	23.28c	+0.26	6.69
Far East Inc	38.35	40.63	+0.16	3.63
Gilt/Fxd Interest	26.87	29.15●	-0.01	10.10
Growth & Inc	109.3	117.1	+0.5	4.98
Japan Spec Sit	70.37	74.82	+0.26	..
Japan	163.8	174.3	+0.6	..
Managed Intl	125.1	133.1	+1.1	0.51
Inc Plus	100.1	107.4●	+0.4	5.82
Famous Name	39.86	42.76●	+0.29	2.59
SE Asia	41.06	43.72c	+0.37	0.71
Spec Sit	256.7	275.3●	+3.0	0.77
Eastern Opps	22.87	24.33	+0.15	0.00
Intl Bond	24.86	26.25	+0.18	7.39
Recovery	27.76	29.78	+0.27	2.46
Moneybuilder	25.36	26.99	+0.23	2.74
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT				
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ Tel: 01-628 5181				
Amer Smlr Cos	179.1	189.0●	+2.9	..
Do Acc	183.0	193.1●	+3.0	..
Amer Turn Inc	208.9	220.4	+3.2	..
Do Acc	216.6	228.6	+3.3	..
Capital Inc	259.0	273.3c	+1.2	2.08
Do Acc	321.1	338.8c	+1.4	2.08
Conv/Gilt Inc	102.3	107.9	+0.2	6.46
Do Acc	146.5	154.6	+0.3	6.46
European Inc	56.51	59.64	+0.28	1.29
Do Acc	56.98	60.13	+0.28	1.29
Extra Inc Inc	231.1	243.9●	+0.3	4.98
Do Acc	265.6	280.3●	+0.5	4.98
Financial Acc	44.53	46.99	+0.34	1.06
Do Inc	44.13	46.57	+0.34	1.06
Income Tst	157.7	166.4	+0.6	4.24
Do Acc	176.4	186.1	+0.7	4.24
Intl Growth Fd	143.8	151.5	+1.3	..
Do Acc	159.6	168.3	+1.6	..
Japan/Gen Inc	120.0	126.6	+0.8	..

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Do Acc	80.38	85.96	-0.10	0.00
Pacific Basin	150.7	161.2●	+1.22	2.65
Do 6% Wtrd	70.27	75.16●	+0.57	0.00
Finance/Prop	78.11	83.54●	-2.84	2.95
Fixed & Conv	47.63	50.95●	+1.66	7.13
Do Acc	89.54	95.78●	+3.12	0.00
Equity Income	97.72	104.5●	+0.14	4.41
Do Acc	242.4	259.2●	+0.34	0.00
High Yield Inc	100.7	107.7●	-2.8	4.98
Do Acc	294.1	314.5●	-8.54	0.00
Intl Income	80.31	85.90	+0.70	1.43
Do Acc	84.03	89.89	+0.73	0.00
Do 5% Wthd	72.9	78.3	..	1.34

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Do Acc	404.7	430.6	+3.62	1.03
Pacific	206.2	219.3	+1.65	0.32
Do Acc	214.4	228.1	+1.72	0.32
Nat Resources	60.66	64.53	+0.55	1.41
Do Acc	63.78	67.63	+0.57	1.41
Selected Opps	76.22	81.09●	+0.78	2.46
Do Acc	86.98	92.53●	+0.89	2.46
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS				
Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks Tel: (0296) 394000				
Amer Eagle	63.90	68.35	+0.17	0.87
Australian	7.63	8.16	+0.15	0.10

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
European	47.55	50.59	+0.41	3.48
Far Eastern	52.60	55.96	+0.41	0.56

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

1988 High	1988 Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
105	65	Comac	90	100	-5	3.3	3.5	10.7
180	120	Crown Eye	142	152	..	..	..	16.9
16	7½	Eglinton	7	8½	..	..	..	..
143	77	Far E Res	83	93	-2	..	..	..
90	78	Hildare	82	87	..	..	..	..
45	22	Hoverbik	30	32	-1	..	..	27.8
58	41	Kemp (PE)	40	45	..	2.0	4.7	8.1
65	58	LGW	57	62	..	..	..	72.8
103	66	Leading Ldr	96	99	● ..	1.7	1.7	20.0
65	20	Lynx Tech	17	22	-1	..	..	3.0
147	89	Medirace	110	115	-2	..	..	..
38	15	Norton Gp	14	16	..	..	..	..
50	43	Pennine Optical	41	44	..	..	..	11.8
31	13	Pub Hldgs	15	18	-1	..	..	9.8
93	61	Rentaminster	60	62	-1	..	..	..
237	150	Royal Sovereign	205	215	..	..	..	..
118	88	Seacon	100	105	..	1.3	1.3	..
299	200	Tilbury	269	275	+5	1.4	0.5	37.2
70	40	Theme Hldgs	64	69	+1	1.5	2.2	16.0
135	110	UPL	105	115	..	3.8	3.5	14.7
182	120	Unit Group	163	173	..	6.7	4.0	9.8

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Sterling index compared with 1975 was same at 75.4 (day's range 75.4-75.5).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates for September 15

	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
New Yrk	1.6770-1.6795	1.6780-1.6790	0.45-0.43pr	1.02-0.98pr
Montrl	2.0499-2.0562	2.0505-2.0543	0.27-0.09pr	0.62-0.41pr
Amstrdm	3.5462-3.5542	3.5481-3.5519	1¼-1⅛pr	5⅜-5⅛pr
Brussels	65.79-66.14	65.93-66.14	27-19pr	79-68pr
Copnhgn	12.0646-12.0947	12.0824-12.0947	4-2¾pr	11⅜-10⅛pr
Dublin	1.1737-1.1751	1.1737-1.1747	48-42pr	148-135pr
Frankft	3.1428-3.1501	3.1466-3.1501	1¾-1½pr	5⅜-5⅛pr
Lisbon	258.75-259.83	258.83-259.83	19-60ds	36-130ds
Madrid	210.02-210.46	210.17-210.46	28-8pr	82-62pr
Milan	2345.84-2351.16	2345.84-2348.92	1-4ds	3pr-2ds
Oslo	11.5789-11.6286	11.6151-11.6271	1¼-2⅛ds	3⅜-4⅛ds
Paris	10.6974-10.7122	10.7006-10.7120	3⅜-2⅞pr	10⅜-9⅞pr
Stckhlm	10.8400-10.8685	10.8567-10.8685	1⅛-⅝pr	4⅞-3⅝pr
Tokyo	224.52-225.09	224.52-224.82	1¼-1⅛pr	4-3⅝pr
Vienna	22.09-22.15	22.11-22.15	12-11½pr	36¼-33¾pr
Zurich	2.6505-2.6587	2.6554-2.6587	1⅝-1⅜pr	3⅝-3¼pr

Premium = pr. Discount = ds.

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral* 23.279-23.420
Australia dollar 2.1014-2.1054
Bahrain dinar 0.6305-0.6345
Brazil cruzado* 536.66-539.50
Cyprus pound 0.8075-0.8175
Finland marka 7.4175-7.4575
Greece drachma 253.75-255.75
Hong Kong dollar .. 13.1031-13.1127
India rupee 24.18-24.38
Kuwait dinar KD 0.4795-0.4835
Malaysia ringgit 4.4609-4.4654
Mexico peso 3720-3820
New Zealand dollar .. 2.7328-2.7390
Saudi Arabia riyal 6.2725-6.3125
Singapore dollar 3.4311-3.4349
S Africa rand (fin)..... 6.3904-6.5185
S Africa rand (com).... 4.1220-4.1296
U A E dirham 6.1425-6.1825

*Lloyds Bank. Rates supplied by Extel and Barclays Bank HOFEX

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland 1.4295-1.4310
Singapore 2.0448-2.0458
Malaysia 2.6585-2.6595
Australia 1.2523-1.2539
Canada 1.2220-1.2230
Sweden 6.4720-6.4770
Norway 6.9270-6.9320
Denmark 7.1990-7.2040
W Germany 1.8750-1.8760
Switzerland 1.5820-1.5830
Netherlands 2.1150-2.1160
France 6.3760-6.3810
Japan 133.88-133.98
Italy 1398.0-1399.0
Belgium (Com) 39.30-39.33
Hong Kong 7.8088-7.8098
Portugal 154.50-154.90
Spain 125.27-125.37
Austria 13.19-13.20

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS

Base Rates %: Clearing Banks 12 Finance Hse 11
Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 12 Low 9¾ Week fixed: 10½
Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mth – 11¹¹⁄₁₆ 3 mth – 11¹¹⁄₁₆
Selling: 2 mth – 11⁹⁄₁₆ 3 mth – 11⁹⁄₁₆
Prime Bank Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 11¾-11½
2 mth: 11¾-11²¹⁄₃₂ 3 mth: 11¾-11¹¹⁄₁₆ 6 mth 11¹¹⁄₁₆-⁹⁄₁₆
Trade Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 12½
2 mth: 12⅜ 3 mth: 12⅜ 6 mth 12¼
Interbank (%). Overnight: open 11¼ close 11½
1 week: 11¼-11⅛ 1 mth: 11¹¹⁄₁₆-11⅝ 3 mth: 12⁵⁄₁₆-³⁄₁₆
6 mth: 12⁷⁄₁₆-⁵⁄₁₆ 9 mth: 12½-12⁵⁄₁₆ 12 mth: 12⅝-12⁵⁄₁₆
Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 day: 11 7 day: 11¼ 1 mth: 11⅝
3 mth: 12¼ 6 mth: 12⅜ 12 mth: 12½
Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mth: 11⅞-11¾ 2 mth: 12⅜-12⅜ 3 mth: 12⅝-12½
6 mth: 12½-12¼ 9 mth: 12⅝-12¼ 12 mth: 12½-12¼
Sterling CDs (%): 1 mth: 11¹¹⁄₁₆-11⁹⁄₁₆
3 mth: 12³⁄₁₆-¹⁄₁₆ 6 mth: 12³⁄₁₆-¹⁄₁₆ 12 mth 12¹⁄₁₆-11⅞
Dollar CDs (%): 1 mth: 8.15-8.10
3 mth: 8.20-8.15 6 mth: 8.45-8.40 12 mth 8.65-8.60

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth
Dollar:	8¹⁄₁₆-7¹³⁄₁₆	8³⁄₁₆-8¹⁄₁₆	8¼-8⅛	8½-8⅜
Call: 8-7				
Deutschemark:	5-4⅞	5-4⅞	5¹⁄₁₆-4¹⁵⁄₁₆	5⁵⁄₁₆-5³⁄₁₆
Call: 4¼-3¼				
French Franc:	7⁹⁄₁₆-7⁷⁄₁₆	7⅞-7¾	8-7⅞	8³⁄₁₆-8¹⁄₁₆
Call: 7½-6½				
Swiss Franc:	3-2¾	3⁷⁄₁₆-3⁵⁄₁₆	3⅝-3½	3¹⁵⁄₁₆-¹³⁄₁₆
Call: 3-2				
Yen:	4⁷⁄₁₆-4⁵⁄₁₆	5³⁄₁₆-5¹⁄₁₆	5¹⁄₁₆-4¹⁵⁄₁₆	5¹⁄₁₆-4¹⁵⁄₁₆
Call: 3¼-2¼				

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: August 31, 1988. Agreed rates Sept 26, 1988 to Oct 25, 1988. Scheme I: 12.27 per cent. Schemes II & III: 12.72 per cent. Reference rate July 30, 1988 to August 31, 1988. Scheme IV & V: 11.384 per cent.

GOLD

BULLION:
Open: $421.25-421.75 Close: $417.50-418.00
High: $421.75-422.25 Low: $416.00-416.50

COINS: **Per coin (Ex VAT)**
Britannia: $429.00-434.00 (£255.75-258.75)
Krugerrand: $417.00-420.00 (£248.50-250.50)
Mapleleaf (1oz): $429.00-434.00 (£255.75-258.75)
American Eagles: $429.00-434.00 (£255.75-258.75)
New Sovereigns: $99.00-100.00 (£59.00-59.75)
Old Sovereigns: $99.00-100.50 (£59.00-60.00)
Platinum: $517.75 (£308.55)
Palladium: $120.75 (£71.95)
Silver: $6.44-6.46 (£3.840-3.855)

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Vol
Three Month Sterling			Previous open interest 46396		
Sep 88	87.75	87.78	87.63	87.66	1935
Dec 88	87.79	87.84	87.67	87.70	15636
Mar 89	88.23	88.26	88.17	88.17	989
Jun 89	88.52	88.52	88.44	88.43	88
Sep 89	88.65	88.65	88.65	88.64	50
Dec 89	88.62	88.62	88.62	88.65	10
Three Month Eurodollar			Previous open interest 42448		
Sep 88	91.68	91.72	91.68	91.69	2122
Dec 88	91.38	91.45	91.33	91.38	5186
Mar 89	91.45	91.50	91.45	91.47	794
Jun 89	91.22	91.23	91.21	91.23	129
Sep 89	91.04	91.04	91.04	91.02	10
Dec 89	NT	.....	.....	90.83	0

	Open	High	Low	Close	Vol
US Treasury Bond			Previous open interest 11142		
Sep 88	89-12	89-12	89-06	89-09	302
Dec 88	88-15	89-02	88-14	89-21	11140
Long Gilt			Previous open interest 25084		
Sep 88	93-15	93-15	92-30	92-30	382
Dec 88	93-28	94-02	93-18	93-18	16867
Mar 89	NT	.....	.....	94-01	0
FT-SE 100			Previous open interest 13092		
Sep 88	176.40	178.90	175.70	176.00	2489
Dec 88	178.20	178.70	177.50	177.80	1023
Japanese Govt Bond			Previous open interest 524		
Dec 88	101.15	101.35	101.12	101.26	314
Mar 89	NT	.....	.....	100.01	0

COMMODITIES

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Statements by Iraq's oil minister that his country would not accept any reduction in it's production levels were regarded as bearish by the crude market. Product prices followed the weaker screen sentiment with most trade on paper markets.

CRUDE OILS/assessed ($/BBL FOB)

Brent Phys	13.45	-45
15 day Sep	13.45	-45
15 day Oct	13.75	-55
WTI Oct	14.95	-35
WTI Nov	14.75	-40

PRODUCTS Buy/sell $/MT.
Spot CIF NW Euro - prompt delivery

Prem Gas .15	-1	169-171	-1
Gasoil EEC	-1	124-126	-1
Non 2H Sep	-1	124-126	-1
Non 1H Oct	-3	123-124	-3
3.5 Fuel Oil		64-66	
Naphtha	-3	134-135	-4

BIFFEX
GNI Freight Futures Dry Cargo ($10/pt)
Sep 88 Hi 1320-1315 Low Close 1320
Oct 88 Hi 1438-1425 Low Close 1425
Jan 89 Hi 1495-1485 Low Close 1489
Apr 89 Hi 1525-1521 Low Close 1525
Vol 294 lots Open Interest 2457
Dry cargo index 1283.0 -1.0 on 14/9/88

IPE FUTURES
GAS OIL G W Joynson
Oct 124.00-23.75
Nov 125.75-25.50
Dec 127.75-27.50
Jan 127.00-26.75
Feb 125.00-24.50
Mar 122.00-21.00
Apr 119.50-19.00
Vol 7353

BRENT G W Joynson
Nov 13.98-13.95
Dec 14.10-14.05
Vol 4092

LONDON POTATO FUTURES (£/tonne)

Mth	Open	Close
Nov	55.00	57.00
Feb	61.50	67.00
Apr	92.50	90.20
May	101.80	100.90

Vol 535

LONDON FOX

COCOA G W Joynson
Sep 847-846 Jul 792-788
Dec 784-782 Sep 806-805
Mar 771-770 Dec 846-843
May 779-778 Vol 5280

COFFEE G W Joynson
Sep 1085-1075 May 1042-1037
Nov 1073-1070 Jul 1042-1040
Jan 1065-1063 Sep 1050-1040
Mar 1043-1041 Vol 3676

SUGAR C Czarnikow
FOB Vol: 2466
Oct 237.6-37.4 May 230.2-30.0
Dec 238.4-38.2 Aug 229.0-27.0
Mar 235.2-35.0 Oct 224.8-24.4

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
WHEAT close (£/t) Vol 174
Sp 109.00 Nv 110.80 Ja 112.90
Mr 115.40 My 118.10 Jn 119.60
BARLEY close (£/t) Vol 150
Sp 104.35 Nv 106.90 Ja 109.50
Mr 111.55 My 113.35

SOYABEAN
Oct 184.0-82.5 Jun 184.0-82.0
Dec 191.0-89.0 Aug 182.0-78.0
Feb 196.5-96.0 Oct 184.0-78.0
Apr 197.0-96.0 Vol 174

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

Official prices/volume previous day **Rudolf Wolf**

(£/tonne)	Cash	3 month	Vol	Tone
Copper Gde A	1462.0-1463.0	1415.0-1416.0	464375	Easier
Copper Stand	1390.0-1390.0	1370.0-1373.0	325	Quiet
Lead	362.00-362.50	367.00-368.00	61150	Brly/Stdy
Zinc Hi Gde*	1357.0-1358.0	1335.0-1340.0	67175	Steady
Silver Large†	643.00-645.00	657.00-660.00	44	Quiet
Silver Small†	643.00-645.00	657.00-660.00	Nil	Quiet
Aluminium	1536.0-1538.0	1468.0-1496.0	237525	Steady
Aluminium Hi*	2590.0-2600.0	2535.0-2540.0	49150	Firmer
Nickel*	11870-11900	10850-10900	8826	Firm

† (Cents per Troy oz). * ($ per tonne)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES (/kg)
Live Pig Contract

Mth	Open	Close
Oct	93.80	94.00
Nov	95.30	95.80
Feb	96.00	96.00
Apr	99.50	99.80
Live Cattle Contract		
Oct	114.50	114.50
Nov	114.50	114.50
Feb	115.00	115.00

Vol Pig-17 Cattle-0

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Av'ge fatstock prices at representative markets on September 15

(/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB (p)	73.28	154.13	112.78
GB (+/–)	+2.15	*-9.76	-1.26
Eng/Wal (%)	+7.3	n/a	+27.3
Eng/Wal (p)	73.55	153.89	112.06
Eng/Wal (+/–)	+2.23	-10.85	-1.53
Scotland (%)	-1.7	-37.1	-5.0
Scotland (p)	66.12	155.52	115.25
Scotland (+/–)	-0.20	-5.28	+0.09

* Estimated dead carcase weight

New efficiency meets tradition

This year sees the 50th anniversary of Rolls-Royce Motor Cars in Crewe, a company that in war and peace has fought to maintain its tradition of quality engineering and international prestige

Style, elegance and quality of craftsmanship, steeped in tradition, is why wealthy people the world over buy a Rolls-Royce or its Bentley sister. They believe they are buying the finest car in the world.

Alongside the traditions there is now a gathering pace of change at Crewe; a realization that a Rolls-Royce can be built more efficiently without sacrificing any of the aura and quality.

Peter Ward, the chief executive says: "Rolls-Royce has tended to rest on its tradition both in the product and the way the company was run. Now we need to change the way we run the company. However, the tradition and quality of our cars remains paramount."

For the 6,000 Crewe workforce, today's progressive change and open style of management follows some difficult years. After the unthinkable had happened and the sister Rolls-Royce aero-engine business based at Derby went bankrupt in 1971 and had to be rescued by the Government, the profitable car division was floated off as an independent concern.

Success of the Silver Shadow II helped to push production at Crewe to a record 3,300 cars in the late 1970s but such output masked the familiar burden for a small car-maker when it is time to fund development of a new model.

Only a few months before the launch of the new Silver Spirit in 1980, it was announced that the company was to merge with Vickers. The R-R shareholders were to receive a 40 per cent stake in the expanded company, which but for protests would have been called Rolls-Royce Vickers. In the world recession of the early 1980s, when production slumped to 2,100 cars and prices in the US had to be cut to clear stocks, the added strength of a large group served Crewe well. For employees, a struggle in 1983 helped establish the basis for today's bright prospects. An acrimonious pay dispute turned into a fight to sweep away the old-style management with its four status levels of canteen and "them and us" privileges.

Now, better communication with staff has made it possible to improve output from 47 cars a week to 57 during the last three years without further recruitment.

A new computer system will soon be able to order and schedule the 82,000 parts needed for production each week. Six million pounds has already been spent on the latest machine tools, and a new £10 million paint shop will open by next July. Traditionalists should not fear the use of high-technology methods at Crewe because, while a sophisticated flexible machining centre can make swift work of preparing engine heads, blocks or other castings, there will always be a place for the steady hand which smoothes the wax R-R Silver Lady bonnet emblem before it is cast or the trained eye needed to give a walnut dashboard that final polish to perfection.

Changes in management style have contributed to Rolls-Royce's progress. Until a few years ago the company had no director of product planning. Without such a key executive, models like the Bentley Turbo R, launched last week in America, may not have hit their mark.

In 1985, Rolls-Royce profit before interest climbed to £14 million, rising to £16.6 million the following year. Then came an impressive 26 per cent jump to £20.2 million as sales grew by 7 per cent — evidence, if it were needed, that efficiency and tradition can provide healthy prospects for the famous Crewe factory which celebrates its 50th anniversary in good shape for the future.

Daniel Ward
Motor Industry Correspondent

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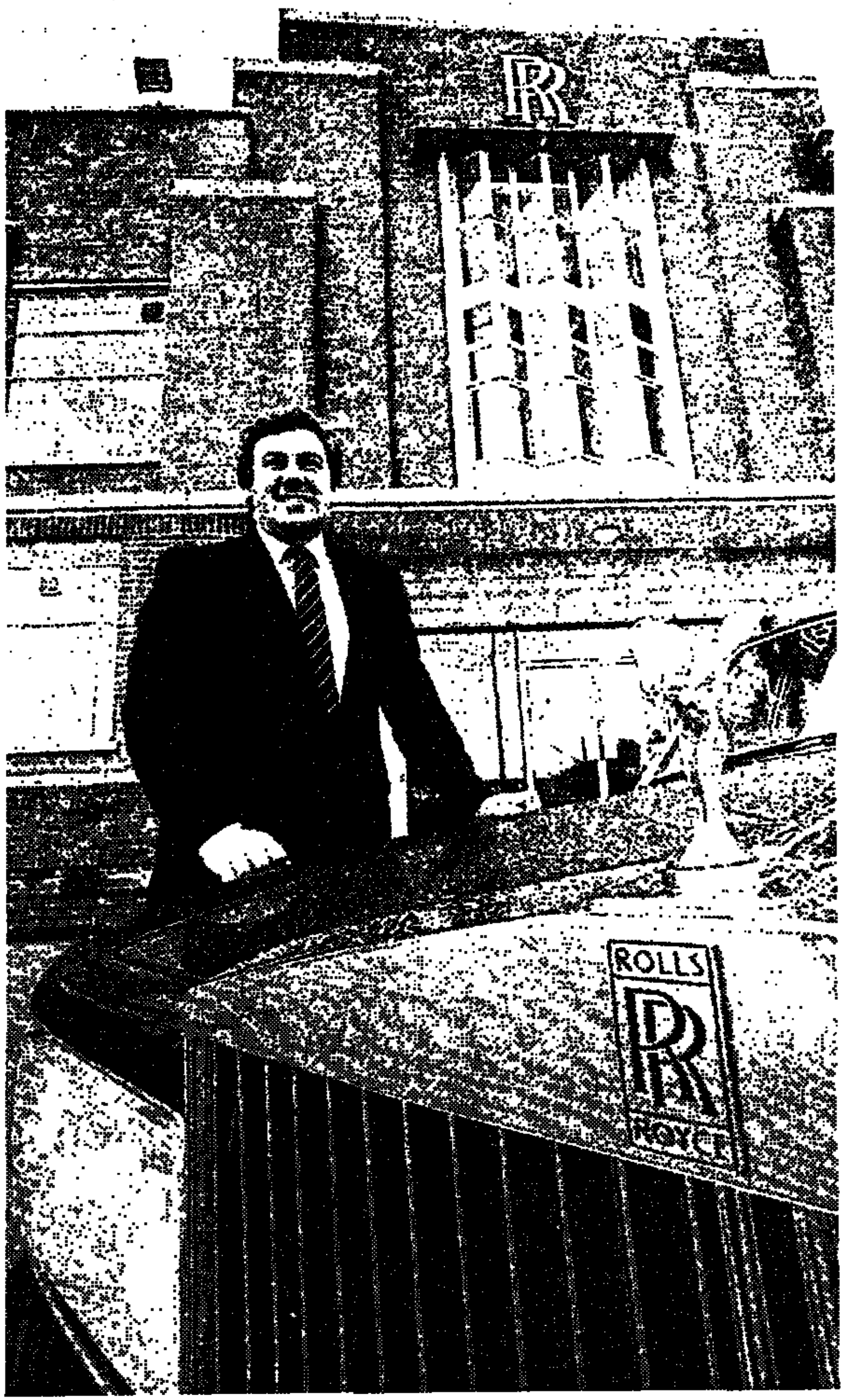

Peter Ward, chief executive, outside the Rolls-Royce factory: Progressive changes and open management after the difficult years

THE VITAL YEARS OF MODERNIZATION

The twin objectives: growth and quality

Modernization of the Crewe factory got underway in 1973 when Rolls-Royce Motors became a public company in the aftermath of the parent company's liquidation and nationalization. Despite the oil embargo in the same year, the Sterling crisis three years later, the explosion in oil prices following the Iranian revolution and the recession of the early 1980s, it has invested heavily ever since to continue the process.

Such modernization was vital to the development and production of new models which, while still retaining a high degree of craftsmanship, had also to take advantage of the huge changes in production techniques. Consequently, the first major new building was a computer centre which opened in 1969.

Before 1973, investment began with the construction of a 21,000 sq ft Receiving Stores in an area that once formed the old Merlin aero-engine factory.

One of the motor industry's biggest worries in the early 1970s was the growing concern about exhaust pollution and tougher legislation to control it, so the company built an Emission Test house.

In 1977, a £1 million, 57,000 sq ft Car Engineering Centre was built to accommodate a styling studio, experimental workshop, electrical and electronic laboratories and engine test rigs. This released a much needed space for manufacturing.

In the same year an automated body store was built with space-saving racks to hold the incoming bodies.

In 1979, 112,000 sq ft of new manufacturing buildings and extensions were completed — the biggest creation of actual working space since the original factory was built. At the same time, a new engineering development office was built, adjacent to the new engineering centre. In the same year, a new training centre was built.

Concurrent with this was a new spares store. More than half the Rolls-Royce and Bentley cars ever built are still in use today requiring a more comprehensive range of old and new parts than almost any other manufacturer.

In 1981, a £2 million paint finishing shop opened, embracing the latest advances in paint technology. Peter Ward, the chief executive, says: "The paint finish of Rolls-Royce and Bentley cars is one of our most noted features. Our new plant will will give us improved control and faster throughput while maintaining the quality our customers expect".

Jim Symonds, director of manufacturing planning: Aims for greater production

Jim Symonds, director of manufacturing planning, says he has three main objectives:

● Bigger production capacity to keep pace with the increasing demand;

● Greater flexibility to cope with an increase in the company's model mix;

● Reduced lead times from the present three months it takes to build a car.

Mr Symonds says: "It takes some six months to complete a crankshaft for the engine. Obviously our cars were not designed for ease of manufacture but we have to find better ways of integrating our craftsmanship with modern technology. It is a difficult blend to achieve but to do so successfully is crucial to our future."

Another of his objectives is to halve the number of machine tools. Crewe has an astonishing 800 and most of them elderly. Computer-controlled machine tools are now arriving, like the £1 million machine which produces hubs and discs. More are in the pipeline. But automation does not go hand in glove with flexibility which is imperative to a company with Rolls-Royce's small volume.

Mr Symonds is only too aware that when the time comes for the Bentley marque to have its own individual body and equipment, flexibility will be the name of the game.

In one respect, Rolls-Royce claims to be leading the field — computer control of materials. Mr Ward says: "We bought the best system and we need the best to ensure that materials arrive on schedule in the right place for the most complicated car in the world.

"It is performing so impressively that a number of other companies are looking at it very seriously."

Another fundamental change which is taking Crewe into the 1990s is the switch in emphasis from quality maintained by a team of clipboard-carrying inspectors to quality control at the very earliest stage — by the operator on the workbench or assembly line.

Quality is also being helped by the setting up of systems and routines which feed problems back into the engineering side as rapidly as possible to speed up modification work.

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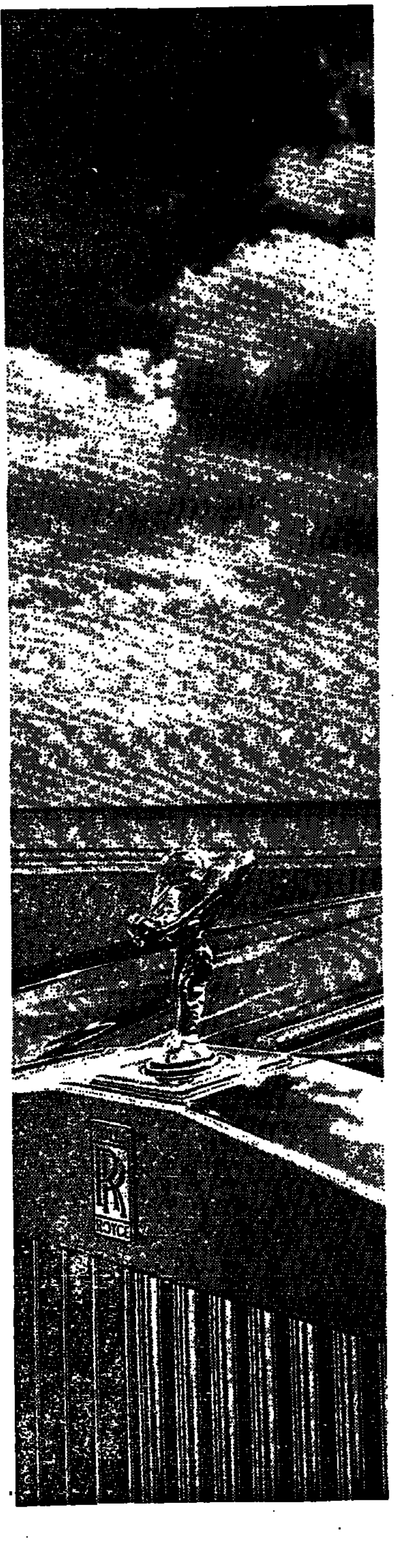

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On the battle front and in the bankruptcy court

Getting down to earth again after the war

The Rolls-Royce connection with Crewe began at the start of the Second World War but, by a strange turn of events, was set in train back in 1914, *writes Clifford Webb.*

At the start of the First World War, not a British aircraft was powered by a British engine. Most, like the Rhone and Gnome, were French. Then, in August 1914, the Royal Naval Air Service (not the better-known Royal Flying Corps) asked Rolls-Royce to design an engine.

The company was chosen principally because its Derby works — opened on July 8 1908 by Lord Montagu of Beaulieu — was one of the most modern in the country.

The resulting Eagle engine had a distinguished war record and was the basis for further development, but it owed a great deal to another famous car name, Mercedes.

The German company had just won the French Grand Prix and one of the winning cars was being exhibited in Britain when war broke out. It was seized and the engine sent to Rolls-Royce for examination. The resulting V12 Eagle used the same separate welded-on water-cooling jackets.

It is ironic that Rolls-Royce's connection with aero-engines subsequently became both its strength and its weakness. In the 1930s its aircraft business became so profitable that it was able to keep the unprofitable car business going. Forty years later, on February 4, 1971, spiralling development costs on the RB 211 jet engine pushed it into bankruptcy and subsequent nationalization of the aircraft engine business by a Conservative Government.

The cars business continued to trade under the control of the Official Receiver until 1973 when it went public as Rolls-Royce Motors.

The company's connection with Crewe started in 1936 when the Government began a programme to modernize the RAF. Existing aircraft factories were unable to cope so six motor firms were asked to build and run factories to make Bristol aero-engines.

The work on the 60-acre site at Merrill's Farm, Crewe, began in July 1938. By mid-September the framework for most of the main shop's 35 bays had been assembled. The main shop, 1,050ft long, was longer than the Queen Mary.

The factory concentrated initially on the Merlin engine, outright winner of the Schneider Trophy, holder of the world speed record of 407mph and power unit of the Spitfire and Hurricane fighters.

Production began on October 18, 1938, when the roof and walls of only one-third of the main shop were completed. Less than a year after the bulldozers moved in the first Merlin was completed.

In all, 208 engines were produced in that first year rising to 6,085 in 1943.

One of those who played a crucial role in setting up the works was a 21-year-old draughtsman, Ron Dyson. Now, 72 he retired in 1980 as training manager. In July 1938 he was part of a five-man team sent from Rolls-Royce Derby. "I was given part of an ordinance survey map showing the site of the proposed new shadow factory and told to start planning factory blocks some 80ft by 30ft."

But if he was told to plan 80ft long blocks why did Crewe end up with the huge 1,050ft main shop? "It was all a so-and-so mistake," says Mr Dyson. "The builder was supposed to link up the blocks with covered ways but he got on so fast we had this damned great place before we knew it".

Joe Williamson, now 82, retired in 1971 as manager of the service department, after 32 years at Crewe, where he joined as an inspector. He remembers that as frantic efforts were made to step up production, workers were drafted in from all over the country including quite a contingent of girls from Scottish fishing ports.

"Most of us were in the Home Guard with orders to defend this vital factory. We had an armoured car and kept an eye open for parachutists. Unfortunately it was not one of our own cars, which were converted to successful fighting vehicles, but a low-powered Triumph Standard."

He recalls: "We had Bren guns and that was nearly the cause of a disaster. One of our lads was on the roof when a plane came flying low over the factory. He opened up with a Bren and nearly shot down a British Avro Anson."

The arrival of the jet engine promised remarkable and towards the end of the war in Europe in 1945 the decision was made to concentrate this business on the Derby works, leaving Crewe to become the home of the cars division.

When car production ceased in 1939, Rolls-Royce had no experience of bodywork. It had concentrated on chassis and engines, leaving the bodies to a number of small, specialist coach builders. With production at that time of only 1,500 cars a year it was considered the most cost-effective method of protecting the marque's "hand built by craftsmen" image.

But it was robbing the company of a considerable added value. One of the first post-war decisions was to spend £250,000 to buy body tooling and a deal was signed with with Pressed Steel Fisher to produce steel body panels.

The first car from postwar Crewe in 1946 was the Mark VI Bentley with pressed steel body work. But to keep the options open the Rolls-Royce equivalent, the Silver Wraith, had coach-built bodies by Park Ward, Mulliner and James Young.

Sir Arthur Sidgreave, then managing director, was far from happy at the possible connection in buyers' minds with inferior mass production and insisted that the pressed steel Bentley should be described as having "standardized coachwork".

Bentley and Rolls-Royce models used the same 4.2 litre engine developed from the pre-war B60. Now it had a one-piece block and crankcase casting and belt, not gear-driven, dynamo.

They were also the first of the company's cars to be fitted with the hydraulic brakes. At this stage however only on the front wheels.

Britain, almost bankrupted by the war, sorely needed export earnings and the Government put pressure on the motor industry to fill the gap. Rolls-Royce cars were already a byeword in America where they had been sold since before the First World War.

Bentleys were less well known but the steel-bodied Mark VI had the best export potential so the export-only Silver Dawn was born. It was identical to the Mark VI except for the R-R radiator.

Some Bentley enthusiasts look back on this happening with considerable regret. The use of a common body for two hitherto distinct marques was for them a retrograde step which the present management intends to correct.

Standard working practises changed dramatically in the 1950s. At the beginning of the decade the normal working week was reduced from 50 to 44 hours and fewer worked at weekends. The cars changed too. Towards the end of the 1950s Rolls-Royce introduced sophisticated power-assisted steering, much improved braking, automatic gearboxes and the now world-famous V8 engine.

The main event in the 1960s was the appearance of the controversial Silver Shadow — the first Rolls-Royce without a chassis. Traditionalists regarded this an unacceptable compromise between craftsmanship and mass production. They refused to accept that it produced a stronger, better car despite its automatic height control and four-wheel disc braking powered by two high-pressure hydraulic systems.

Today, the Silver Shadow is widely regarded as among the greatest and most successful of all Rolls-Royce cars.

The 1970s were worrying years for Crewe. Development costs for the RB211 aero-engine got out of hand and forced the parent company into receivership and later voluntary liquidation.

In the meantime, the Receiver had separated the car and diesel engine divisions from the aircraft business and in May 1973 Rolls-Royce Motors Ltd became a public company.

Two events dominate the story of Crewe in the 1980s. First, Rolls-Royce Motors became part of the Vickers group and the then managing director of Rolls-Royce Motors, Mr (now Sir) David Plastow went on to become chairman of Vickers. Second, the Silver Spirit replaced the Silver Shadow. Nearly 36,000 Silver Shadows and Bentley T series cars had been built in the preceding 14 years.

In 1985 another milestone was reached — the company's 100,000th car.

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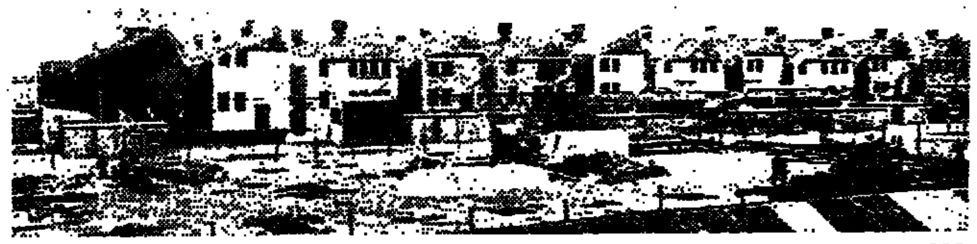
Memories: Mr Williamson, left, and Mr Dyson relive the past



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The present range of cars consists of three Rolls-Royce models – the Silver Spirit, the longer-bodied Silver Spur and the Corniche Convertible – and four Bentleys – The Eight, Mulsanne S, Turbo R and the Continental Convertible, *writes Clifford Webb.*

The 140-mph Turbo R is the ultimate "no compromise!" luxury sports saloon and because of its unique effect on the company's changing image is dealt with in a separate article.

The Silver Spirit was introduced in 1980 to replace the Silver Shadow II. In line with Rolls-Royce's long-established policy of evolution rather than revolution it has been subjected to progressive refinement ever since.

But it still retains the essential Rolls-Royce look with its flowing lines dominated by that instantly identifiable radiator and Flying Lady mascot.

Another Rolls-Royce feature which marks it down as something special is the refusal to compromise its coachbuilders' origins by accepting the design limitations imposed by the normally all-powerful computer. The high tailed-low nose wedge is not for Rolls-Royce. Its stylists have deliberately kept the nose up with a vertical rather than sloping radiator so that the car "holds its head high proudly proclaiming its origin".

The Silver Spirit was made to look much lower and wider than its predecessor by clever emphasis of some lines and the masking of others.

There are many other ways in which Rolls-Royce have preserved their exclusivity. Other cars have leather-covered seats, but none use 12 carefully matched cowhides. Others have deep pile carpets, but not Kidderminster made Wilton.

It is the same with the distinctive burr walnut trim which others with pretentions to greatness have copied. In a Rolls-Royce it looks like hand-crafted wood. Rivals like Mercedes somehow manage to make wood look like plastic.

It is, alas, no longer true that the loudest noise in a Rolls-Royce comes from the clock. Electronics have replaced the mechanical "tick".

Ease of driving is a must for the man who can afford a Crewe-made car. That is when little touches like the electrically powered seat adjustment come into their own. It is child's play to make yourself comfortable behind the wheel with the help of the multi-plans control switch.

The legendary 6.75 litre, V8 engine with Bosch fuel injection powers the whole range in varying stages of tune. There were some who grumbled when the pinnacle of British engineering excellence went to Germany for both fuel injection and ABS anti-lock brakes. The same people had been unhappy earlier when the Crewe engineers turned to General Motors of America for automatic transmission.

The factory's answer is: "We go for the best wherever it is made. If there are two equally good suppliers then of course we choose British".

While Silver Spirit is the best-seller in Britain, in the US it is the longer-bodied Silver Spur. It is only some 4in longer but even in a car measuring nearly 18ft those few inches make a lot of difference to rear-seat comfort.

Silver Spirit's luxurious interior

External differences are subtle. There is a special roof material, wheel discs with fine, hand-painted lines, a brushed stainless steel backing panel for the rear number plate, and a badge on the boot lid.

A cellular telephone is hidden discreetly in the front armrest with the aerial in the rear screen.

The Corniche is the head-turning, classic open tourer. It has become an established favourite wherever the climate favours open-air motoring but careful attention to weather protection in the fitting and construction of the hood have given it an even wider appeal. When the electrically powered hood is raised and locked into position the fit is such that the air-conditioning quickly gives the car a saloon-like ambience.

Corniche starts out in life as a floor pan delivered to Rolls-Royce's coachbuilding subsidiary, Mulliner Park Ward, London. The body panels are fashioned by hand and the completed shell returned to Crewe for fitting out. It then returns to MPW for completion. The whole process takes five months.

The revival of the famous Bentley marque in recent years – sales now rival those of Rolls-Royce – follows a decision by the board to emphasise the more sporting role and reputation of one of the great names in car racing.

The target is the younger executive who shies away from the staid chauffeur-driven image conveyed by a Rolls-Royce

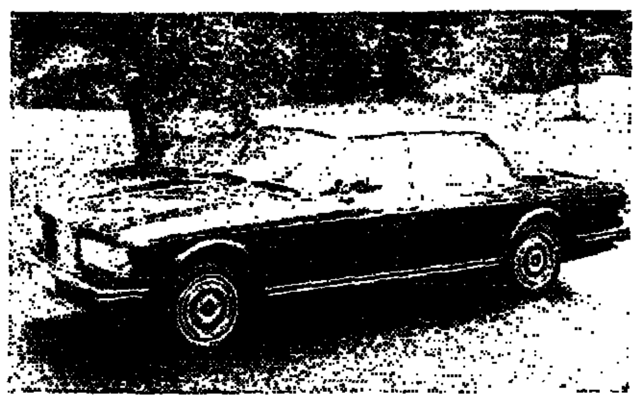
The entry-level model – if one can apply a term more applicable to mass-produced cars to a Bentley – is the Straight Eight. Its price reflects the move to widen the potential market. At £67,187 it is £10,640 less than the Silver Spirit. But this is by no means a "Poor Man's Rolls-Royce". It uses the same engine and gearbox, has the same top quality hide upholstery, walnut veneer trim, Wilton carpeting, air-conditioning and ABS anti-lock brakes.

Until the company has the luxury of a separate body for Bentley models – and it will come sooner rather than later – it has to make do with a distinctive frontal appearance. This is achieved with a Bentley-only radiator complete with a most un-Crewe like mesh grille, alloy wheels and small, twin headlamps.

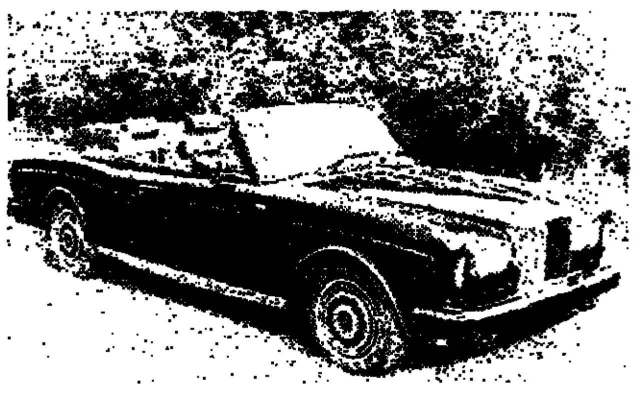
Next up the range at £75,569 is the Bentley Mulsanne S complete with the keen driver's tachometer, leather-covered steering wheel and long centre console which brings a host of controls within easy reach of the left hand.

Most expensive of all is the £106,419 Bentley Continental open tourer. The only two-door Bentley, it is hand-built at MPW, as is the Rolls-Royce Corniche.

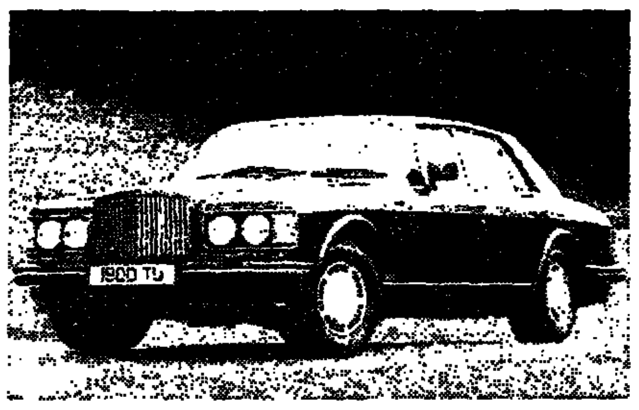
Rolls-Royce is reluctant to disclose the output of the now more powerful, fuel-injected V8 but it is generally accepted that all models – with the exception of the much faster Bentley Turbo R – will accelerate from 0 to 60mph in about nine seconds and top 130 mph.



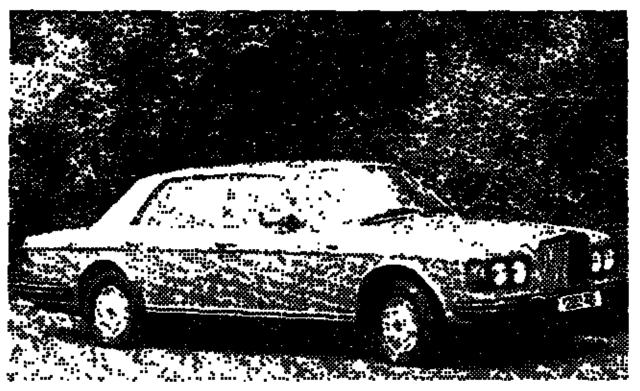
The Silver Spur, Rolls-Royce's bestseller in the US



The Rolls-Royce Corniche 11; the head-turning, classic open tourer



The Bentley Turbo R: Answers drivers' criticisms



The Bentley Mulsanne S, no 2 in the range at £75,569

Turbo adds that zing to the Bentley image

To have discussed the future of the Bentley marque in 1976 would have been a brief and depressing task for anyone with a sense of pride in the once-glorious name, *writes Daniel Ward.*

The "Bentleys" leaving Crewe were simply Rolls-Royce Silver Shadows with the Silver Lady emblem and angular stainless steel radiator replaced by a more rounded one and discreet badges displaying the initial "B". Customers were barely impressed by such badge-engineering; it did little to continue the sporting heritage of cars that in the 1920s and 1930s had won the Le Mans 24-hour race five times.

In the 30 years since the Second World War, Bentley had seen its share of the Crewe production of the two marques decline from more than 90 per cent to less than 4 per cent.

Today the picture could not be more different. In the first four months of 1988, Bentley out-sold R-R in Britain. In Europe and the Middle East markets in 1987 Bentley accounted for almost 44 per cent of sales. Indeed, since the early-1980s world recession, Bentley models which have provided the growth at Crewe.

The turbocharged model has provided the basis for the revival of Bentley and established its reputation as the ultimate luxury sporting name in motoring. Though the Bentley Mulsanne was launched alongside its R-R Silver Spirit sister in 1980, it was not until 1982 that Bentleys had anything distinctive to offer.

At the Geneva motor show that year the the Bentley Mulsanne Turbo made its debût. It had 50 per cent more power than the normally aspirated 6.75-litre VS first made in 1959. The turbo could accelerate to 60mph from standstill in seven seconds despite its two-ton girth. The top speed was governed to 135mph.

Yet for all the latest Bentley's refined turbo performance, the model's sporting credentials were not unflawed.

The suspension remained unchanged from that of the ordinary Spirit. Peter Ward, chief executive, comments wryly: "When the car went round corners it polished the door handles."

While Crewe's engineering team tackled the task of making the Mulsanne handle like a sporting saloon, the Bentley Eight was launched in 1984 to keep up the marque's marketing momentum. A cheap car by Crewe's standards – even today it costs a realistic £59,968 – it was intended to appeal to owners of expensive Mercedes and Porsche cars who would shy away from the "gentlemen's club" image of a Rolls-Royce.

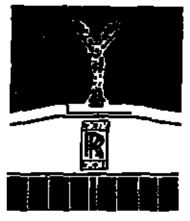
By 1985 the chassis of the top-of-the-range Bentley had been transformed with the debût of the Turbo R which replaced the Mulsanne Turbo. The steering was no longer feather-weight and springs and dampers had been made a great deal firmer. With Bentley alloy wheels and massive low-profile tyres, the new car looked more sporting.

On the road the Turbo R answered almost all the criticisms drivers had levelled against the previous models.It was later given fuel injection and anti-lock brakes.

The Turbo R's development has allowed all Bentleys to be made more sporting in character than the Rolls-Royce. The Mulsanne S has the taut Turbo R suspension with the aspirated engine (£69,972 compared with £84,966 for the Turbo R) and the Eight also has firmer handling.

Last year the Turbo R accounted for 29 per cent of Crewe's total production, and almost one third were sold in Britain.

This performance is set to improve with its launch a week ago of the $148,000 Turbo R on the US market, where at least 150 customers are expected to take delivery each year of the machine.



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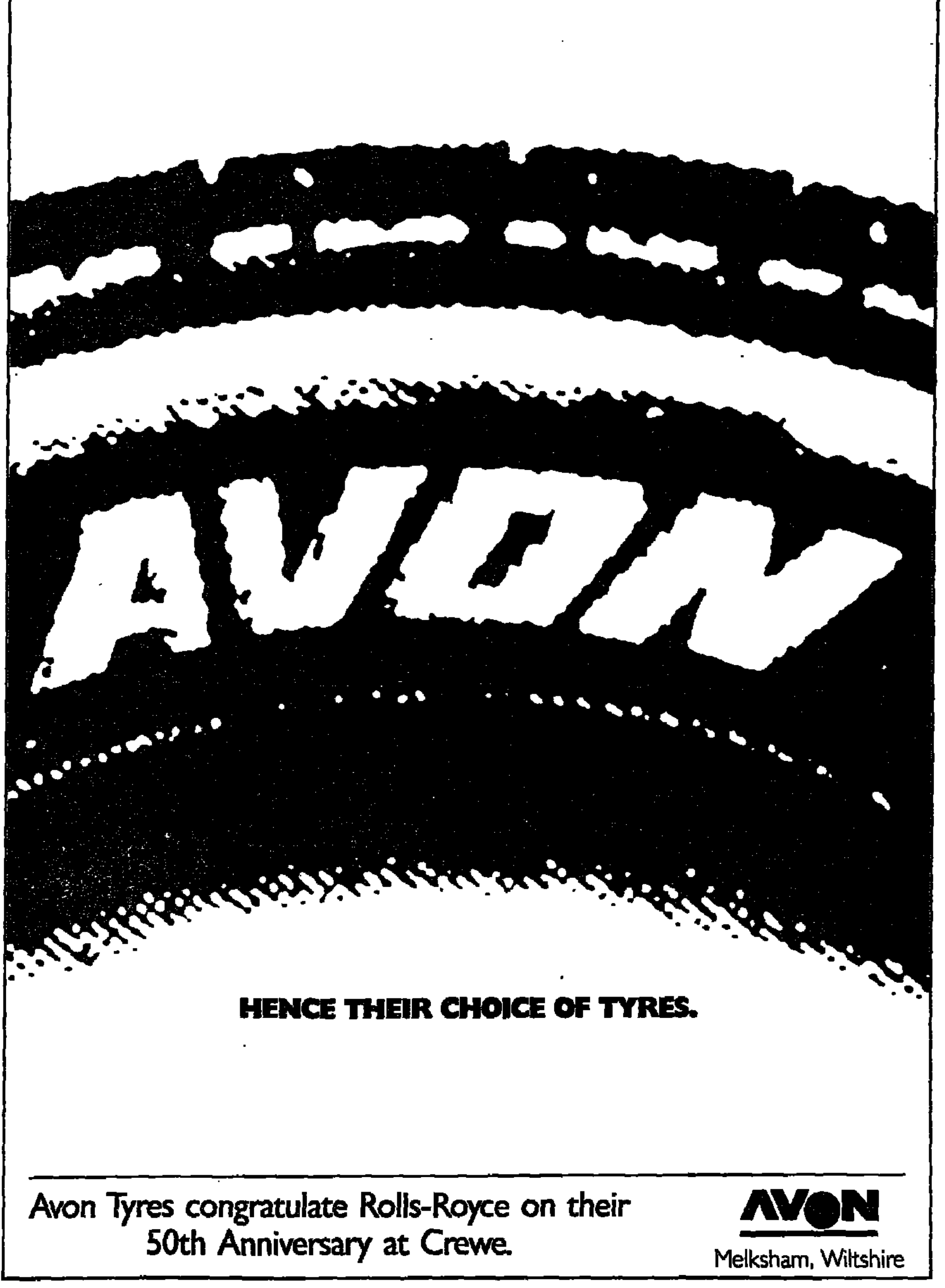

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The men who craft perfection

Jim Wilson, wood-veneer cutter: The brittle veneer arrives in dustry colourless bundles and ends up as a thing of beauty

Craft skills are the heart and soul of Rolls-Royce, said Peter Ward, chief executive. He added: "They made this famous old company what it is today and they will continue to play a vital part in its future. Of course they will increasingly live alongside new technology like computerization but their unique contribution will never be sacrificed for expediency."

Mr Ward, at 42 one of the youngest bosses in the motor industry, sums up the contribution of men like Dennis Jones, 50, a sheetmetal worker at Crewe for over 18 years, *writes Clifford Webb.*

In the age of mass production, robots and cheap synthetic materials Mr Jones makes the instantly recognizable Rolls-Royce radiator shell entirely by hand. Each one takes a day and when it is completed is "signed" by the maker. His mark is a "DD" stamped near the retaining hole for the Spirit of Ecstasy, the mascot that tops every R-R radiator.

But more than personal pride that motivates the 10-man team in the radiator shop. They are responsible for a radiator throughout its entire life. If it needs to be returned to the factory, it ends up on the workbench of the man who made it.

Each of the 11 pieces of top-quality stainless steel that form the shell are rolled to bow them slightly before they are soldered together by hand using traditional copper soldering irons heated by gas.

Why solder? Why gas? Why not use a modern argon arc welding or brazeing? Mr Jones says: "With solder we have a much more controlled heat that avoids distortion, and we can achieve a joint line no thicker than a human hair. The joint is white and blends with the metal, becoming almost invisible during five hours of polishing which finishes every radiator."

Jim Wilson, 42, has been a veneer-cutter for 14 years. To watch him at work is to appreciate the loving way he handles the brittle, thin veneer which arrives in dusty, colourless bundles and ends up as a thing of beauty on the facia and door trims of Rolls-Royce and Bentley cars.

The wood is specially selected — mostly the famous walnut burr

The brittleness is overcome by the simple process of wettting it. Almost instantly it comes to life in Mr Wilson's hands for the long process of cutting and matching by eye. The whorls and configurations are stopped out and *stained*, inspected, primed and then dried for 60 hours.

Next they are sprayed with three coats of tough polyester lacquer, air-dried for three days, hand-flatted, polished and carefully inspected yet again.

The wood is specially selected from the bowl of the tree — the part under ground — and is mostly the famous walnut burr. This is the standard veneer but Crewe cars are nothing if not built to individual customer tastes and alternatives include plain walnut, birds-eye maple and elm. The latter has become particularly popular in the past year.

The eight men in the veneer shop turn out 50 car sets a week. Inevitably there are comparisons with other car-makers who grace their cars with wood veneer. Mercedes and Jaguar are the two best-known names."

Brian Foster, 53, is foreman of the trim shop and responsible for fitting-out. Every model leaving Crewe is built to a specific order which makes it unique. This covers the colour and piping trim of the 260 sq ft of finest Connolly leather.

"We can't afford to have a single stitch out of place. Our customers pay a fortune because of our reputation for the finest craftsmanship in the world. Our aim in life is to ensure that they never find anything to fuss about," he says.

Mr Foster joined the company *from school as the result of a school* visit to the factory. "I didn't like office work. I loved working with my hands. There are a lot of people here with the same need to express themselves by hand," he says.

The long endeavour to share out £85m

"Supplier to Rolls-Royce" is the most sought-after letterheading in the motor component world. It is also the most difficult to obtain. Not only are Rolls-Royce standards almost impossibly high but no supplier is allowed to advertise the fact until he has satisfied those standards for several years, *writes Clifford Webb.*

–Even then his contract requires him to obtain permission from Crewe before he can reveal his connection publicly.

"We cannot have our name used in any but the most carefully vetted circumstances," says Brian Dickie, director of purchasing.

Becoming a supplier in the first place is a lengthy process. Each new applicant's manufacturing process is personally inspected. At the same time he is investigated to establish his commercial standing and financial well-being.

At the end of all this he is given an SQA (Supplier Quality Assurance) rating of A or B. The A rating is the toughest in the motor industry but even then does not exclude holders *from regular* inspection.

The factory fosters a special relationship with suppliers by inviting them to Crewe at intervals to see where their *components* are actually fitted on the car. There are also regular seminars.

Brian Dickie, director, purchasing: We want the best

"In this age of fast-advancing technology it surprises a lot of people that we still stick to our traditional ways of doing certain things," says Mr Dickie. "Take the leather we use for instance. We use only the finest, natural hides we can buy. Up to now we have not found anybody as good as Connolly. But that does not stop us looking because we want the best.

"An indication of this constant battle for perfection is the worldwide search for *hides. At the moment they* come mainly from Scandinavia because there are fewer barbed-wire fences there and that means fewer *tear* marks *on the hides.*"

The instantly recognizable leather smell which greets you when you open the door of a Crewe car is nothing to do with *the* leather itself but comes from the bark and kernels of Indian trees used in the tanning process.

It takes 12 to 14 hides for a single car and even more when *a customer* specifies a leather roof-lining.

Wood veneer is so crucial to the interior splendour of a Rolls-Royce that twice a year a two-man team from Crewe goes to the United States to negotiate direct with growers for supplies. One of those sent out is the man who is ultimately responsible for the quality of the wood trim — the wood shop foreman.

Until a couple of years ago all the Crewe veneer came from Italy. But Italy was not the actual source, only a middle man supplied from the US, and that was not good enough for Rolls-Royce.

Mr Dickie says that wherever possible he likes to have long-term contracts with suppliers. "Provided they keep their quality up it is good for them and good for us. We can both make the best use of limited investment."

Many suppliers grew up with Crewe. Some began their association as suppliers of parts for the wartime aero-engines produced there.

There is no shortage of would-be suppliers. But Mr Dickie is looking closer to home for new suppliers. Recently he invited firms around Crewe to tender for more of the £85 million components used each year. Only £2 million goes to local firms at present.

Peter Ward, Rolls-Royce chief executive, is chairman of Crewe Development Agency, which was set up early this year with a £1 million grant from British Rail Engineering Ltd after redundancies at Crewe locomotive works.

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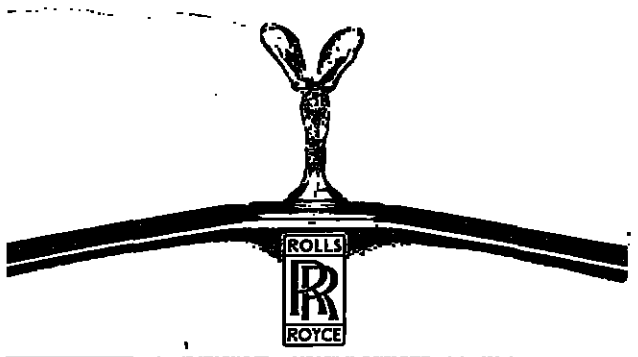

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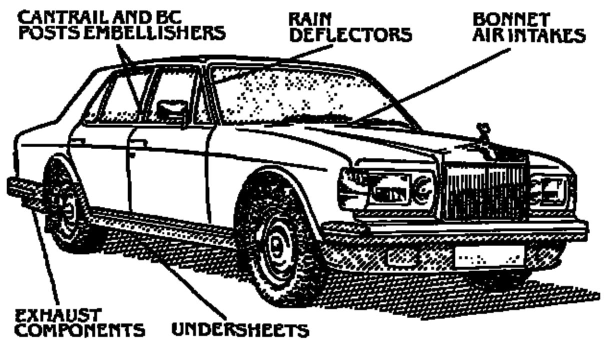

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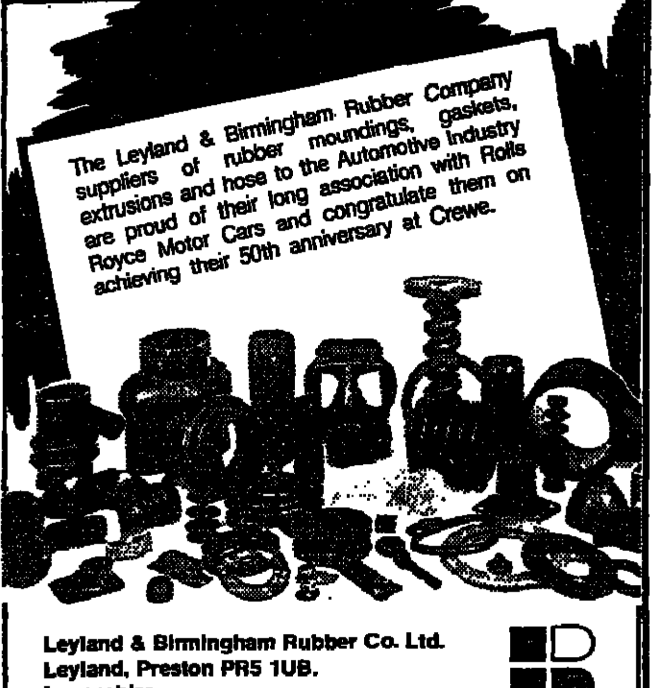

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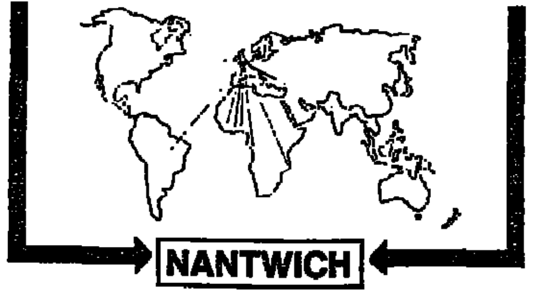

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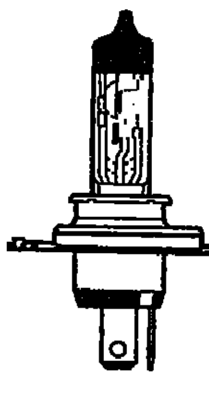

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Why Bentley has to keep you waiting

If you place an order now for a Rolls-Royce Corniche or Bentley Turbo R, you will be lucky if it is delivered in time for Christmas 1989, *writes Clifford Webb*. Other models in the range are a little easier to obtain. You could get a Silver Spirit for instance in six to seven months' time.

That has been the position for some time now so why does not the factory increase production from the 2,700 it made and sold last year?

Peter Ward, chief executive, says: "We are *increasing* production but we have to walk a tightrope between more sales and maintaining our marques' exclusivity. We must never again get into the over-supply situation which hit us a few years ago and led to the first discounting ever of our cars."

At the same time he is adamant that long delivery times is not of itself the key to the company's future.

"But," he says, "we must also reorganize our production to give greater flexibility to respond to demand, without saddling ourselves with expensive excess capacity."

Mr Ward, who joined the company in 1983 from the Peugeot/Talbot group as sales and marketing director, was the first executive in the history of the company to be given worldwide responsibilty for sales and marketing. He was appointed managing director in October 1986 and chief executive in April 1987.He brought a new dynamism to the business of selling Rolls-Royces and Bentleys, which some suggested would be wasted in a company whose products sold themselves. That sort of thinking, Mr Ward says, is why Rolls-Royce has in some senses been marking time."We must keep moving forward and that means creating new cars and finding new markets," he says. "The Rolls-Royce motor car will become an anachronism only if we expect customers to beat a path to our door."

Crucial to the marketing of an already unique product is the extent to which the factory will go to meet a customer's specific requirements. On the "standard" car he can already choose the type of wood veneer, colour matching and materials for interior trim – all set down in the "history book" which accompanies every car from Day One of the production process. After it leaves the production line a car may be taken to a separate department for extensive additional alterations and fitments.

These include: compact disc players , TVs with video and teletext facilities, cocktail cabinets, picnic tables and even fax machines. A wide selection of curtains can be installed, popular in hot climates such as the Middle East.

A relatively new marketing ploy for Rolls-Royce is the advent of model year changes, for so long an important sales tool for the motor industry in general but largely ignored by Rolls-Royce. Mr Ward says: "Americans and to some extent middle-eastern customers are constantly looking for the very latest in their cars and tend to update more frequently than in the UK. We now tailor our cars for specific markets far more than we have done in the past."

Another marketing tool which he is still honing is the promotion of Bentley as a car in its own right and not simply an alternative to Rolls-Royce.

The question everyone wants answered is: When will Bentley have its own body? Mr Ward says in a small company like his it takes anything up to 17 years to amortize the cost of tooling for a new body. The present one was only introduced in 1981.

He comments:"The most I can say further to that is we are looking to the *mid-1990s* for the next major change."

The super-chauffeur goes to school

Alec Brown: lessons in trouble-shooting

Rolls-Royce and Bentley owners worldwide expect a lot more from their local dealer than they would if they had bought any other make of car, *writes Clifford Webb*. They *expect instant expertise* on all aspects of running and maintaining the cars.

You cannot buy that sort of expertise locally. The most highly qualified garage mechanic still has much to learn about such a complex product. To meet this need, Crewe has its School of Instruction, covering all aspects of dealer training from courses at the factory to courses in places as far apart as the Middle East, Australia, Hong Kong, Japan and the US.

Alec Brown, one of the school's most experienced instructors, says: "We start from the premise that we are handling highly qualified people. With slide projections and other visual aids, backed up by practical demonstrations on the cars themselves, we show them such key things as how the fuel-injection system works and how to trouble-shoot in general."

Chairman Mao had his little red book and so had Rolls-Royce, at least it did until quite recently when someone decided to change the colour to grey. In the latter's case however it is an instruction book for chauffeurs. Red copies simply labelled *Rolls-Royce Chauffeurs* have become sought-after collectors' items. The grey version needs more room for its title – *Rolls-Royce and Bentley Chauffeurs Handbook*. But driving a Rolls-Royce skilfully with a VIP in the back is much too important to leave entirely to the written word – and it is not. Crewe's chauffeur courses have become a bye-word in the motoring world.

Instruction is given in classroom, on road and skid pan.

Special service for a very rare breed

Rolls-Royce owners are a special breed and they demand special service for their cars, *writes Clifford Webb*. Though the company's dealers throughout the world are carefully chosen and their mechanics trained to factory set standards, some owners still insist on returning their cars to Crewe for major overhauls and repairs.

Says Mike Bond, the assistant service manager: "This factory has such a special relationship with the people who buy our cars that they seem to endow us with almost mystical qualities. For them it is the factory or nothing." A sort of "back to mother" feeling.

For that reason alone the service department at Crewe is one of the last of its kind in the motor industry. Most carmakers shut theirs down long ago, preferring instead to keep their dealers happy by leaving profitable repairs and service to them.

Crewe insists that it is not competing with its dealers but meeting a unique need. The extent of this need is emphasised by the costly lengths owners go to to return their cars to Crewe.

Those from European countries are usually driven to the factory and left while their owners enjoy a holiday or fly in and out with the help of a chauffeur-driven car from the factory. A Belgian owner brings his car over twice a year for routine servicing.

But cars from faraway places like India, Hong Kong, Thailand, Nigeria, the Middle East and North America are shipped in their own containers denying their use to owners for many months.

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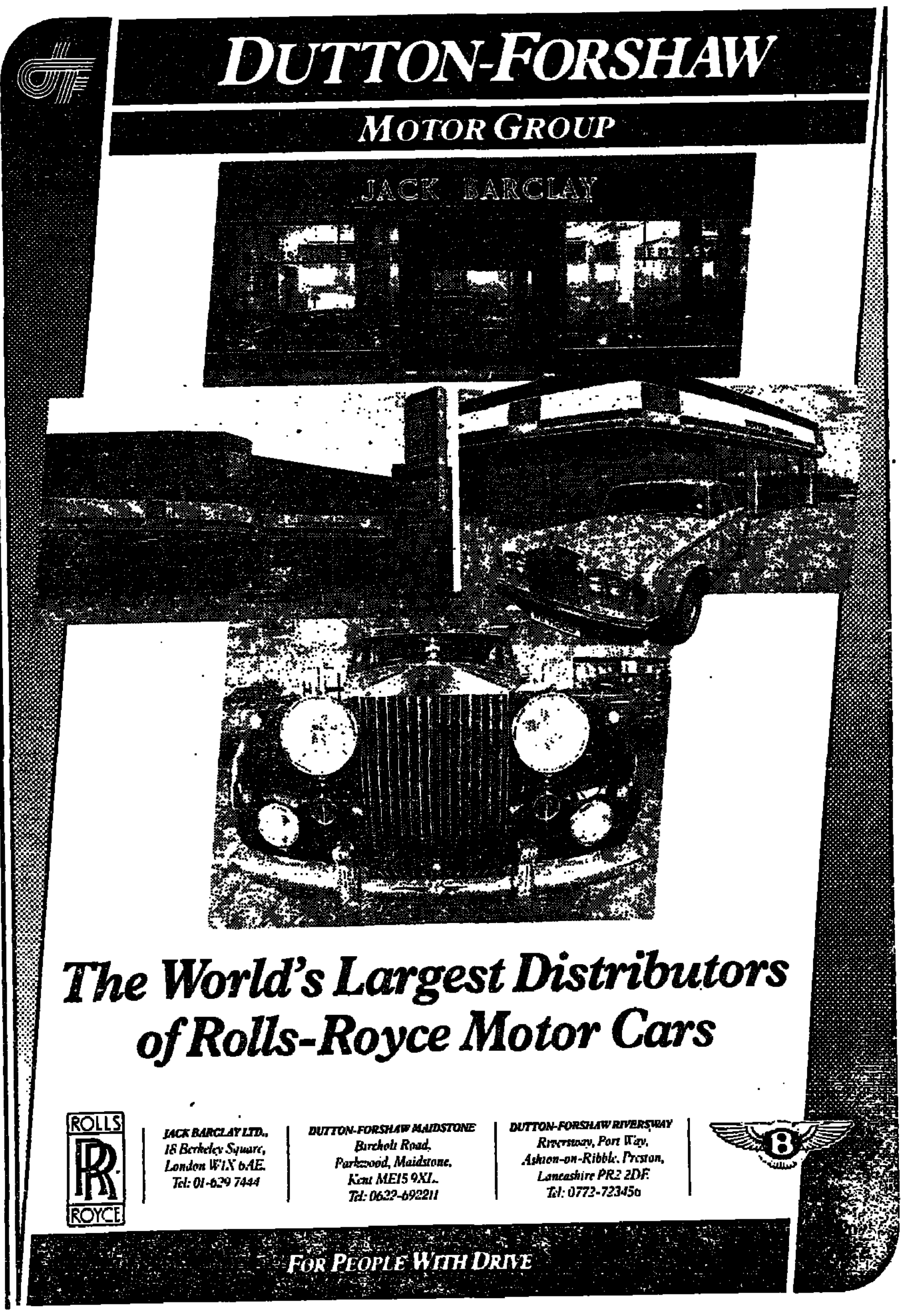

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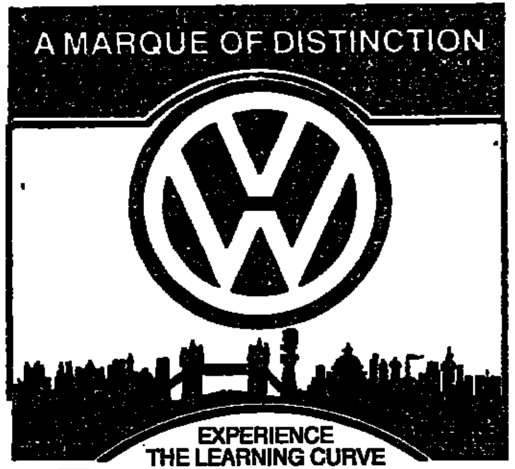

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Edited by Daniel Ward

Fiat pulls a fast one on its rivals

Test report: Italy's stylish new Tipo is a practical five-seater with good pulling power and few vices

Practical cars do not make a song and dance about their virtues as invariably they are neither racy-fast nor boast eye-catching good looks. This matters little to most owners who view their cars with about as much compassion as they show a chest-freezer, *writes Daniel Ward.*

The new Fiat Tipo, aimed at the established and popular Escort, Golf and Astra models, is a practical, modern car. The Italian newcomer appears to be broad and dumpy, being almost 5in taller and 2in wider than an Escort, yet is shorter than a Golf which is an inch lower and slimmer.

Tipo's advantage is that it is a proper five-seater in a class where such claims are rarely upheld when put to the test. The tall stance and more upright seating give the driver a better view of the road and makes parking easier while providing significantly more interior space.

A 6ft driver has an abundance of legroom, and rear-seat passengers have 3in more knee space than in a Golf. The boot is among the biggest in its class and the Fiat's rear seat has a useful split-folding backrest on all versions.

A salesman's opening gambit is hardly likely to focus on how wide the doors open yet the importance of such things becomes obvious as you struggle with armfuls of shopping or a weighty baby safety seat while an impatient six-month-old is getting drenched in a downpour. Tipo's big doors swing very wide indeed, almost at right angles to the car.

Nothing is perfect though, and it is difficult to place the owner's handbook in the door bins without fouling the window winder. On the cheapest 1.4 litre model, the small glovebox is rendered almost useless without a lid.

Toyota has realized the value of emulating the solid feel and durable quality of German cars in its own models and the Tipo is something of a Golf clone in cleverly styled Italian designer clothes. The engineers have made it distinctly heavier than a Golf, though the body is the most aerodynamic in this small family car sector.

Practicality implies the lasting qualities of an old garden wheelbarrow left out in all weathers, which together with the difficulty of convincing the public that your cars no longer go rusty, spurred Fiat to use galvanized steel for 70 per cent of the Tipo's body.

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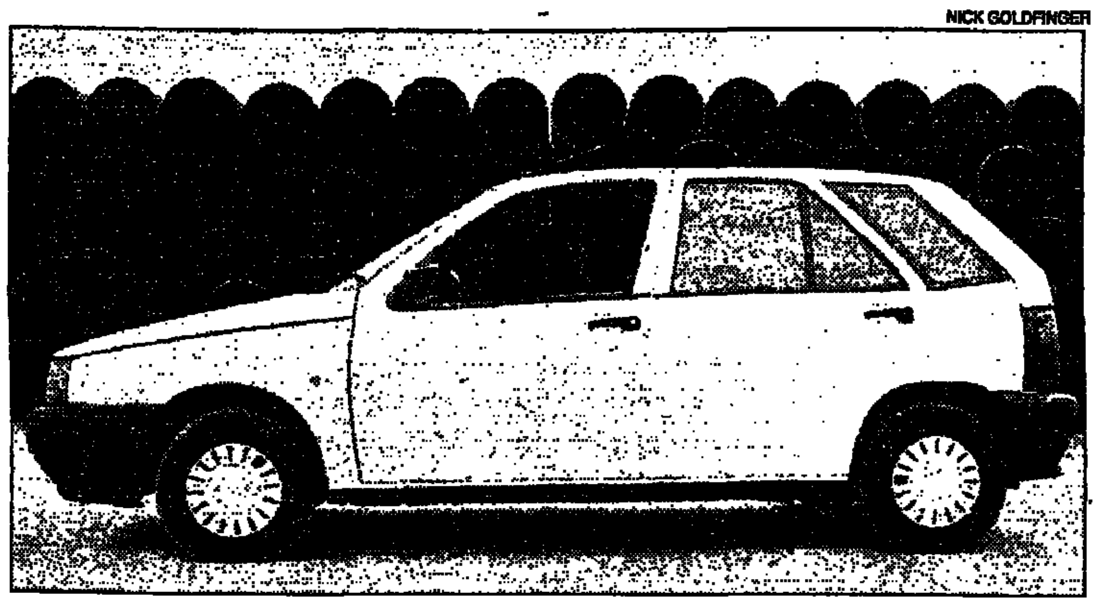

Practical style: taller and wider than an Escort, yet shorter than a Golf, the Tipo 1.4 is nicely roomy inside

Combined with a plastic tailgate, plastic covers in the wings and wax injected into every crevice, this impressive level of rust protection is rivalled only by the wholly galvanized Audis.

The cheapest Tipo (£7,150) is powered by a extensively redesigned 1.4 litre engine producing a competitive 72 bhp. Italian engines are perceived as small, noisy and high revving to suit the Italians' notorious driving style. However, that sort of image is completely out of date.

The Tipo has a good spread of power, pulling better in the gears than faster-sprinting rivals. Top speed for the 1.4 is 100mph and acceleration to 60mph takes 13.5 seconds. Modern engines should warm up quickly from cold but the 1.4 engine does not, requiring choke for longer than should be necessary.

Owners should achieve better than 35 miles per gallon, which is average for the Escort class where on economy there is little to choose between models.

A smooth gearchange is not a Fiat strongpoint but like many past weaknesses, this has been eliminated on the Tipo. The gear lever moves easily under a firm hand without baulking and reverse is found without any awkward depressing or lifting of the gearknob.

The clutch and handbrake are light and the brakes have an excellent firm feel, painfully absent on past Fiats.

The steering is not the lightest in this class, however it benefits from being pleasingly accurate. The Tipo corners confidently with little body roll and holds the road with fine surefootedness.

Unlike a Renault, Peugeot or even a Toyota Corolla, the Fiat does not ride well. The firm suspension fails to soak up many of the bumps rivals take in their stride. Curiously, the 1.6 litre Tipo fares better.

It seems unkind to describe the 1.4 Tipo tested here as the basic model as it has a tasteful tweed trim, four-speaker stereo outfit, split rear folding seat and rear wash/wipe as standard.

For £590 more the awfully named DGT model has electronic instruments, normally a mixed blessing but in this case acceptable, central door-locking, electric front windows, tinted glass and an adjustable steering column.

Tinted glass is a worthy feature as the Tipo's ventilation is mediocre, though the blower fan is relatively quiet.

The Tipo is made in one of the world's most automated factories, designed to ensure the highest levels of quality and reliability. Fiat reasons that because a robot has built most of the car and then tested it, right down to pressing the switches, it should not go wrong in out-of-the-way places. Combined with an excellent modern design the Tipo could not have had a better start in life.

Head-up display is safer

Motorists charged with speeding are apt to tell the magistrates: "I didn't realise I was going that fast." And they could be right. Drive a quiet, modern car, keep your eyes on the road and the needle can creep up unwittingly, *writes Daniel Ward.*

The solution is to place the speedometer, not in the dashboard, but somewhere which eliminates the need for the driver to momentarily look down from the road ahead. Aerospace designers have overcome the problem by developing head-up displays for fighter aircraft.

The first head-up display instruments using the aircraft technology have been launched on cars in America and Japan. The car's speed and other information is reflected through the front windscreen and appears in the driver's normal line of vision.

Head-up displays, used on aircraft provide the pilot with information on everything from missile guidance to navigation and are claimed to improve safety and operator response by eliminating the need to look down at instruments.

> ‘It was surprising how aware you became of the car's speed’

On the system developed by Hughes Aircraft for General Motors, the vehicle speed is seen by the driver as a digital hologram apparently suspended in line with the front bumper of the car.

A brief road test in an Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme was fascinating. It was surprising how aware you become of the car's speed. Clearly we glance down at the speedometer rather less than we think we do.

One fear with the system is that it can be distracting, but it was no problem getting used to the green-coloured digital speed displayed "in front" of the windscreen.

The display can also inform the driver when the turning indicators are on and provide any warnings of faults. It does not replace the conventional instruments mounted on the facia.

Despite the use of advanced optical technology, GM claims head-up displays are cheaper than some existing electronic instruments and expect it to cost less than £60.

Nissan has just launched a coupé model in Japan with a head-up display, though it requires a small area of the glass to be chemically treated to project the image correctly. This appears as a patch on the windscreen.

The art of driving backwards

The moment of towing truth came soon after we had bought our first pony trailer and drove it to a gymkhana. The only suitable parking slot around demanded that most challenging of manoeuvres — reversing, *writes Stuart Birch.*

Backing a trailer is an art. I had been practising secretly for a week, but my confidence was not high. The problem is that a novice trailer-backer can be spotted at several furlongs and advice may come from several directions.

My farmer neighbour advised: "Take it slowly and just imagine that the steering wheel is turning the trailer's rear wheels."

It was sound advice but out there in the gymkhana car park there was a feeling that I was being judged . . . "Four faults, eight . . . Oh, dear, he's been eliminated!"

Life was made more difficult in those early days by my insistance that a convertible Triumph TR7 was perfectly suitable for pulling the trailer. It was — if the sun shone and the ground was hard. It was not when it rained and conditions were soggy.

As my daughter's riding ability developed I bought a Land Rover and a two-pony trailer. Suddenly I was a fully fledged member of the towing fraternity; feeling mildly awkward at heading a traffic queue, driving as smoothly as possible, mindful of the effect on my four-legged friend of sharp turns and hard braking — and always ready to nip into a lay-by to let past the queue of cars behind me.

Most motorists do not appreciate the problems of towing a trailer. All they want to do is overtake, which some do with dangerous bravado. Overtakers fall into three categories: the good, the bad and the fifth-gear hopefuls.

The first are a joy to behold. They overtake when it is safe to do so without drama

The bad seem to wait for the most inopportune moment and then scuttle past like wheeled rats racing for a bolthole. On one occasion my daughter shouted that the tyres of a truck approaching us were on fire, but it was just the driver standing on his brake pedal to allow a baddie to get past us.

And then there are the fifth-gearers, the people who amble past with a nonchalance that turns usually to white-knuckled hope.

So when towing, there is a need to make constant calculations about the speed of approaching traffic, the acceleration potential of the vehicle now starting to fill the door mirror, and the availability of an escape route.

I have also found that vehicles used for towing need large mirrors, power-steering, tight turning circles, lots of gears, plus, ideally, four-wheel drive.

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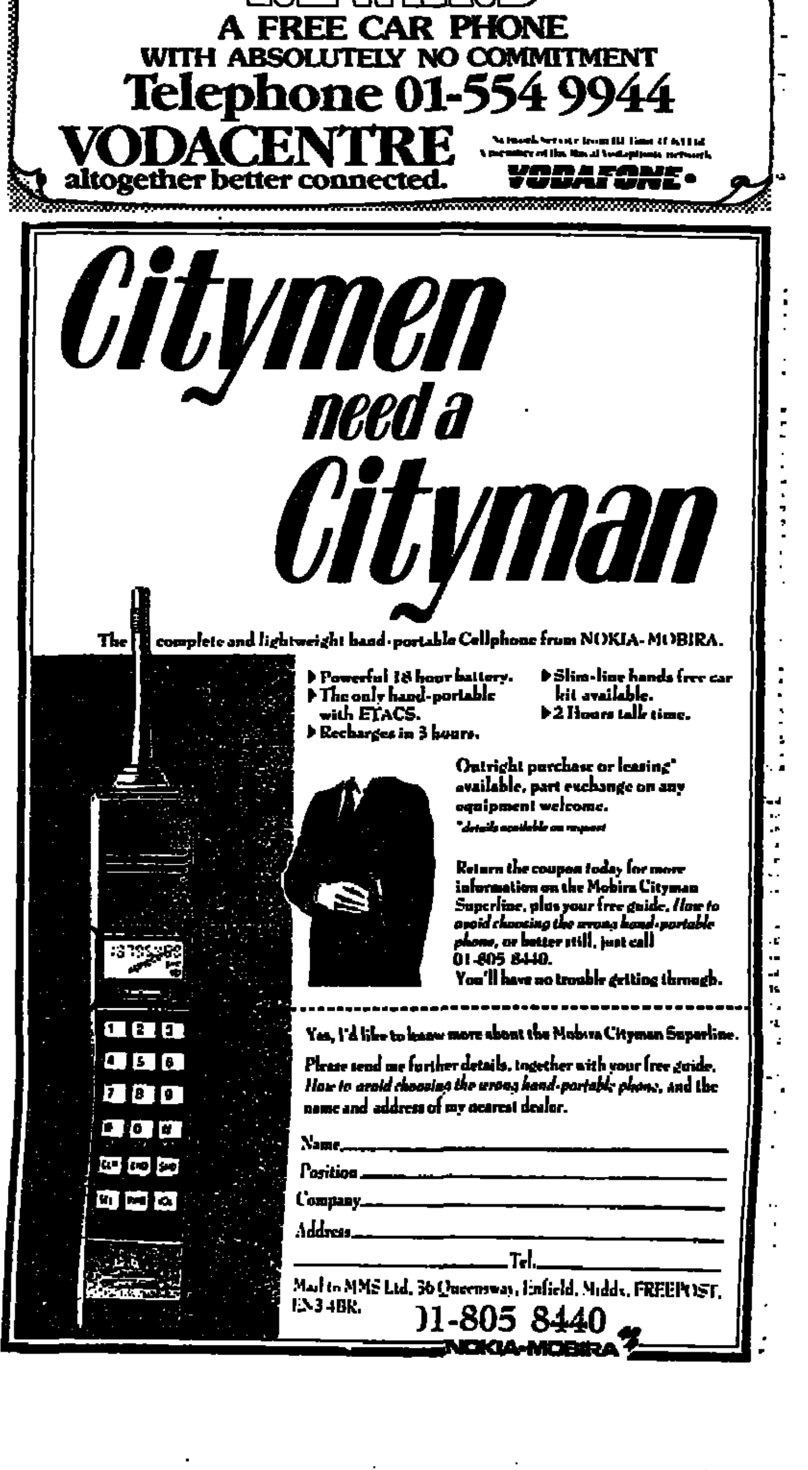

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Mathematics (G102): Leicester (8): London, Imperial (10): London, Queen Mary (5).
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Mathematics (G106): Essex (7): Liverpool (7).
Mathematics and Its Applications (G110): UWIST (6): Dundee (6): London, Queen Mary (5): Reading (10): Wales, Swansea (5).
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Pure Mathematics (G120): London, Queen Mary (5): Reading (10): Wales, Swansea (5).
Mathematics (Pure and Applied) (G130): Belfast (7).
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Mathematical Sciences (G141): Bath (9).
Mathematical Sciences (G150): Liverpool (7): Strathclyde (9).
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Mathematics with Physics (G1F3): Heriot-Watt (6): Liverpool (7): London, Imperial (10).
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Mathematics and Economics (G1L1): Dundee (6): East Anglia (7): Strathclyde (8).
Mathematical Sciences with Management (G1N1): Liverpool (7).
Mathematics with Operational Research (G1N2): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7).
Mathematics with Philosophy (G1V7): East Anglia (7).
Mathematics with Cert. in Education (4yr) (G1X1): East Anglia (7).
Mathematics with Education (G1X3): Heriot-Watt (6).
Mathematics and Education (G1XC): Liverpool (7).
Statistics (G400): Bath (9): Heriot-Watt (10): Liverpool (7): London, Queen Mary (5): Reading (9).
Statistics (G401): Bath (9)
Statistics (G406): Liverpool (7).
Statistics with Management Science Techniques (G420): UWIST (6).
Statistics with Management Science Techniques (G421): UWIST (6).
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Mathematics, Operational Research and Economics (G4L1): Essex (7).
Computing Science (G500): Aston (10): Belfast (8): Bradford (8): City (8): Dundee (6): East Anglia (9): Essex (7): Heriot-Watt (8): Liverpool (7): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (8): Manchester (10): Newcastle (7): Reading (10): Southampton (9): Wales, Swansea (7): Ulster (10): York (10).
Computer Science (G501): Bradford (8): York (10)
Computer Engineering (G502): Manchester (10).
Computer Science (G506): Liverpool (7): Manchester (10).
Computing and Information Systems Science (G520): Bradford (8): Ulster (6).
Computing and Information Systems Science (G521): Bradford (8).
Computer Software Technology (G530): Bath (9).
Computer Software Technology (G531): Bath (9).
Information Technology (G560): Belfast (8).
Computer Science with Statistics (G5G4): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8).
Computer Science and Digital Electronics (G5H6): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (8).
Computer Systems with Microelectronics (G5HP): London, King's (8).
Applied Mathematics and Physics (GF13): Belfast (7): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6): UMIST (10): Reading (10).
Mathematics and Meteorology (GF19): Reading (10).
Computer Science and Physics (GF53): Belfast (7): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8): York (10).
Computer Science/Physics (Equal) (GF5H): York (10).
Mathematics and Statistics & Operational Research (GG14): Belfast (7): Dundee (6): Essex (7): Liverpool (7): Reading (10).
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Mathematics and Numerical Analysis (GG19): Dundee (6).
Mathematics and Statistics (GG41): Essex (7): London, Queen Mary (5).
Statistics and Computer Science (GG45): Dundee (6): London, Queen Mary (8).
Statistics Computing Operational Research and Mathematics (GG4L): London, Queen Mary (5).
Mathematics and Computing (GG51): Bath (9): Belfast (8): East Anglia (7): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8): York (10).
Computer Science and Statistics & Operational Res (GG54): Belfast (8): Reading (10).
Numerical Analysis and Computer Science (GG59): Dundee (6).
Information Systems Engineering (GH55): Heriot-Watt (12).
Electronic Engineering and Computer Science (GH56): Aston (11): Birmingham (9): Kent (6): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8): London, Queen Mary (8): Reading (9).
Applied Mathematics and Topographic Science (GHC2): Wales, Swansea (8).
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Urban Policy and Management/Computer Science (GK54): Aston (11).
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Civil Engineering Design and Management (H222): Cardiff (6).
Civil and Structural Engineering (H223): Bradford (8).
Structural Engineering (H240): Heriot-Watt (6).
Civil and Environmental Engineering (3yr) (H250): Newcastle (8).
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Mechanical Engineering (H301): Aston (10): Cardiff (5): UWIST (6): Liverpool (7): London, Imperial (12): London, King's (9): London, University College (8). Sheffield (8).
Engineering (Mechanical) with Computing (H302): Leicester (6): London, King's (8).
Mechanical Engineering (H303): Bradford (8).
Mechanical Engineering (Specialised) (H320): London, Queen Mary (6).
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Marine Engineering (4yr) (H351): Newcastle (6).
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Offshore Engineering with Mechanical Engineering (H362): Heriot-Watt (4).
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Mechanical Engineering with Electronics (H3H6): London, King's (8).
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Mechanical Engineering with Management (H3N1): Liverpool (7).
Mechanical Engineering with Management (4yr) (H3NC): Liverpool (7).
Mechanical Engineering with French (H3R1): Bath (9).
Mechanical Engineering with German (H3R2): Bath (9)
Mechanical Engineering with French (H3RC): Bath (9).
Mechanical Engineering with German (H3RF): Bath (9).
Aeronautical Engineering (H400): Belfast (9): London, Queen Mary (9): Manchester (11).
Aeronautical Engineering with French (H4R1): Bath (9).
Aeronautical Engineering with German (H4R2): Bath (9).
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Electrical Engineering (4yr) (H501): Liverpool (7).
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Electronics (H601): UWIST (7): Liverpool (7).
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Electronic Engineering (4yr, wide entry) (H605): Wales, Bangor (8).
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Computer Systems Engineering (H616): Wales, Bangor (6): Birmingham (8): Dundee (4): Essex (6): Newcastle (6): Ulster (6).
Microelectronic Systems Engineering (4yr) (H617): UMIST (8).
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Electrical and Electronic Engineering (HH5Q): Cardiff (10).
Electronic & Mechanical Systems Engineering (HH63): Salford (6).
Electronic and Manufacturing Engineering (HH67): Birmingham (7): Loughborough (7).
Manufacturing Systems with Mechanical Engineering (HH73): Bradford (6): Liverpool (7).
Electronics and Manufacturing Engineering (HH76): Loughborough (7).
Manufacturing Systems with Mechanical Engineering (HH7J): Bradford (6).
Electrical & Electronic Engineering (HHM6): Aston (10): Bath (9): Cardiff (5): UWIST (7): Manchester (9): Surrey (8).
Materials Process Engineering (HJ12): Sheffield (11).
Civil & Maritime Engineering (4yr) (HJ25): Liverpool (6).
Mechanical Design Materials and Manufacturing (HJ35): Nottingham (9).
Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering (HJ36): Glasgow (6): London, University College (8).
Electronic Materials Engineering (HJ65): Nottingham (10).
Chemical Processing and Materials Engineering (HJ85): Nottingham (10).
Chemical Process Engineering Biotechnology (HJ88): Sheffield (6).
Civil & Environmental Engineering (4yr) (HK23): Liverpool (6).
Civil Engineering and Economics (HL21): Dundee (6).
Electronics and Economics (HL61): Dundee (4).
Engineering Manufacture and Management (4yr) (HN71): Manchester (12): UMIST (12).
Mining Engineering (J100): Cardiff (6): Leeds (5): London, Imperial (7): Newcastle (4): Nottingham (8).
Mining Engineering (J101): Cardiff (5): London, Imperial (10): Newcastle (4).
Mining Engineering (2yr conversion) (J104): Leeds (5).
Drilling Engineering (J110): Newcastle (7).
Engineering, Mining and Petroleum (J116): Strathclyde (6).
Mineral Engineering (J120): Leeds (5).
Mineral PROcessing (J140): Cardiff (6).
Mineral Processing (J141): Cardiff (5).
Petroleum Engineering (J171): London, Imperial (10).
Metallurgy and Materials Science (J200): Liverpool (7): Manchester (7): UMIST (7): Sheffield (9): Strathclyde (6): Surrey (4).
Materials Science (J220): Manchester (7): UMIST (7)
Science and Engineering of Ceramics (J320): Sheffield (9).
Science and Engineering of Glasses (J340): Sheffield (9).
Polymer Science and Engineering (J400): London, Queen Mary (5).
Science and Engineering of Polymers (J440): Sheffield (9).
Textile Chemistry (J448): Leeds (6): UMIST (6).
Textile Studies (Options) (J460): Leeds (6).
Clothing Engineering (J470): UMIST (6).
Textile Technology (J4J9): UMIST (6).
Materials Science and Engineering (J500): Leeds (4): Wales, Swansea (5)
Materials Technology (4yr) (J520): Surrey (4).
Materials Science and Engineering (J550): London, Queen Mary (5): Strathclyde (6).
Paper Science (J560): UMIST (5).
Naval Architecture and Offshore Engineering (J600): Strathclyde (6).
Naval Architecture and Shipbuilding (3yr) (J620): Newcastle (6).
Biotechnology (J800): London, King's (8): Reading (8): Wales, Swansea (6).
Process Biotechnology (4½yr) (J801): Surrey (9).
Engineering Mathematics (J922): London, Queen Mary (5).
Transport Technology (J930): Ulster (6).
Engineering (Nuclear) (J940): Manchester (8).
Electro-mechanical Engineering (J956): Aston (10).
Engineering Acoustics and Vibration (J970): Southampton (8).
Engineering (Environmental) (J972): Strathclyde (6).
Geological Engineering (BSc Eng) (J976): London, Queen Mary (5).
Integrated Physical Science (JF29): Sheffield (10).
Materials Science and Engineering (Specialisations) (JF52): London, Imperial (9): Sheffield (9).
Welsh (3/4yr) (Q520): Wales, Swansea (7).
Welsh (with Business Studies) (3/4yr) (Q5N1): Wales, Swansea (7).
Latin (with Greek) (Q6Q7): London, University College (6).
Greek (with Latin) (Q7Q6): London, University College (6).
Classics (Q800): London, University College (6).
Hebrew (4yr) (Q960): London, University College (6).
Chemistry/Classical Studies (4yr) (QF81): Keele (6).
Computational Linguistics and Modern Languages (French/German) (4yr) (QT19): UMIST (9).
Computational Linguistics and Modern Languages (French/Spanish) (4yr) (QT1X): UMIST (9).
Computational Linguistics and Modern Languages (German/French) (4yr) (QT1Y): UMIST (9).
Computational Linguistics and Modern Languages (German/Spanish) (4yr) (QTC9): UMIST (9).
English and History (QV31): London, Goldsmith's (7).
French (R100): Aston (11): Liverpool (10): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (9).
Linguistic and International Studies (French) (4yr) (R104): Surrey (10).
French and European Literature (R1Q2): Warwick (9).
German (R200): Aston (10): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7): London, Goldsmith's (5): London, University College (6): London, Westfield (6).
German (4yr) (R201): London, Westfield (6).
Linguistic and International Studies (German) (4yr) (R204): Surrey (8).
Scandinavian Studies (4yr) (R700): London, University College (6).
Russian (R800): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Linguistic and International Studies (Russian) (4yr) (R804): Surrey (8).
Russian and Soviet Studies (beginners) (R805): Surrey (8).
Russian and Soviet Studies (R810): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
German/Biology (RC21): Aston (10).
French and Computer Science (RG15): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (9).
Spanish/Business Studies (RN41): Sheffield (10).
English and German (4yr) (RQ23): London, Westfield (7).
English and Spanish (4yr) (RQ43): London, Westfield (7).
French/German (RR12): Aston (12): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (9): London, Goldsmith's (5): London, Westfield (7).
French and German (4yr) (RR21): London, Westfield (7).
German and Russian (RR28): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
French and Spanish (4yr) (RR41): London, Westfield (7).
Italian/Arabic (RT36): Salford (10).
Polish and Russian (RT81): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
European Studies (Russian) (3yr) (RTV2): London, Queen Mary (9)
Russian and History (RV81): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
German and Music (4yr) (RW23): London, Goldsmith's (5).
Contemporary East European Studies (T118): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Bulgarian (T120): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Finnish (T130): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Finnish Studies (T132): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Czech and Slovak (T140): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Hungarian (T150): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Polish (T160): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Serbo/Croat (T180): London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (6).
Dutch (4yr) (T222): London, University College (6).
Dutch with Spanish (4yr) (T2R4): London, University College (6).
Arabic Studies (Modern) (T625): Leeds (8).
German/Russian or Russian Studies and Electronics (THY6): Keele (7).
Dutch and Linguistics (4yr) (TQ21): London, University College (6).
French and Romanian (4yr) (TR11): London, Westfield (10).
Dutch and German (4yr) (TR22): London, University College (6).
Dutch and Italian (4yr) (TR23): London, University College (6).
Dutch and Scandinavian Studies (4yr) (TR27): London, University College (6).
Dutch and History of Art (4yr) (TV24): London, University College (6).

Polytechnics

Applied Language
Brighton: T910.
Leeds: N140.
London (Central): RR12, RR13, RR14, RR18, RR23, RR24, RR34, RR38, RR48, RT16, RT26, RT36, RT46, RT86, T3Q3, T3R1, T3R2, T3R3, T3R4, T3R8.
Ealing (HEd): RRC2.

Arabic
London (Central): RT16, RT26, RT36, RT46, RT86.

Building Services Engineering
Coventry Lanchester: K201.
London (South Bank): J973.
London (North East): H201.
Portsmouth: H201.
Wales: K201.

Chemical Engineering
Huddersfield: F111.
London (South Bank): H801.
London (North East): H801.
Teesside: H801.
Wales: CJ18, H801.

Chinese
London (Central): T3Q3, T3R1, T3R2, T3R3, T3R4, T3R8.

Civil Engineering
Brighton: H201.
Coventry Lanchester: H201, H266.
Hatfield: H201.
Kingston: H201.
Liverpool: H201.
London (Central): H201.
London (South Bank): H201.
Thames: H201.
Middlesex: H201.
London (North East): H201.
Oxford: H201.
Plymouth: H200.
Portsmouth: F612, H201.
Sheffield: H201.
Sunderland: H201.
Teesside: H201.
Trent: H201.
Wales: H201.
Bolton (HEd): H201.

Computer Aided Engineering
Birmingham: H100.
Huddersfield: H161.
Leeds: H781.
Leicester: H601.
Liverpool: H161.
London (South Bank): H100, H301.
Thames: H100, H201, H301, H621.
Manchester: H301.
Newcastle: H780.
London (North East): H801.
Stafford (North): H302.
Oxford: H100.
Plymouth: H300, H611.
Portsmouth: H1N1, HH65.
Teesside: H641.
Trent: H701.
Wales: H301.

Computer Technology
Birmingham: H100, H601.
Bristol: G534.
Leicester: G561, H601.
London (Central): H611, H640.
London (South Bank): GH56.
Manchester: H611.
Newcastle: H780
London (North East): G501.
Stafford (North): H302, HH65, HH6M.
Teesside: H611.
Wales: G560, G561.
Bolton (HEd): H600.
Essex (HEd): H621.

Electrical Engineering
Birmingham: H100.
Brighton: HH65
Coventry Lanchester: HH65.
Hatfield: HH65.
Huddersfield: HH6M.
Lancashire: H601, Y400.
Liverpool: HH65.
London (North): H620.
London (South Bank): HH65.
Thames: H100.
Manchester: HH65.
Newcastle: HH65
London (North East): HH65.
Stafford (North): HH65, HH6M.
Plymouth: HH5P.
Portsmouth: H1N1, HH65.
Sunderland: HH56.
Teesside: H641.
Trent: HH65.
Wales: HH65.
Derby (HEd): HH35.

Electronic Engineering
Birmingham: H601.
Brighton: HH65.
Coventry Lanchester: H611, HH65.
Hatfield: HH65, Y100.
Huddersfield: GH5P, HH6M.
Kingston: H641.
Lancashire: H601, Y400.
Leicester: H601, J901.
Liverpool: HH65.
London (Central): H600.
London (North): H620
London (South Bank): GH56, HH65.
Thames: H100.
Manchester: H100, HH65.
Middlesex: H601, H6H7, HN61.
Newcastle: H620, H692, HH65.
London (North East): HH65.
Stafford (North): HH65, HH6M.
Oxford: H100.
Plymouth: HH5P.
Portsmouth: H1N1, HH65.
Sunderland: H610, HH56.
Teesside: H611, H641.
Trent: HH65.
Wales: G560, G561, HH65.
Wolverhampton: GH56, GHM0, HJ69, HJQX, Y6C2.
Bolton (HEd): H600.

Engineering
Brighton: H301.
Bristol: H764.
Coventry Lanchester: H101, H1N1.
Kingston: H201, H301, H641, H701.
Leicester: J901.
London (Central): H300, H600, H640.
Thames: H100.
Manchester: HH65.
Middlesex: H201, H301, H601, H6H7.
Newcastle: H301, H620, H692, H780.
London (North East): HH65, Y400.
Stafford (North): H301.
Oxford: H100.
Plymouth: H300, H611, H621.
Portsmouth: F612, H1N1, H201, H301, H780.
Teesside: H301.
Wales: H201, H301, H801, HH65.
Wolverhampton: H331, J900.
Bolton (HEd): H201, H600.
Derby (HEd): HH35.
Dorset (HEd): H120.
Essex (HEd): H621.
Humber (HEd): H100.

Engineering Physics
Sheffield: F382.

Engineering Product Design
Brighton: H301.
Coventry Lanchester: H101, H1N1.
Lancashire: H301.
Leicester: H601, J901.
London (South Bank): H764.
Stafford (North): H301.
Wolverhampton: J900.
Dorset (HEd): H120.

Engineering Systems
Coventry Lanchester: H641, H701.
Huddersfield: H641, H751.
Lancashire: H601, Y400.
Liverpool: H782.
London (Central): H300.
London (South Bank): H100.
London (North East): H801.
Stafford (North): H301.
Plymouth: H300, H611, HH5P.
Portsmouth: H1N1, H780.
Teesside: H641.

Engineering with Business Studies
Bristol: H764.
Coventry Lanchester: H1N1.
Leicester: N1HR.
Middlesex: HN31, HN61.
Buckingham (HEd): J500.
Dorset (HEd): H120.

English or Literary Studies
London (Central): T3Q3.
Thames: Y300
Manchester: Y416.
London (North East): Y400.
Sunderland: QR32.
Humber (HEd): Y301, Y402.

Environmental Engineering
London (South Bank): J973.
Thames: H201.
London (North East): H201.
Teesside: H801.

French or French Studies
Brighton: T910.
Bristol: RR12, RR14, RRCF, RRCK.
Coventry Lanchester: RR12, RR14, RR24.
Kingston: R100.
Leeds: NN3K.
Liverpool: RR12, RR14, RR18.
London (Central): N900, RR12, RR13, RR14, RR18, RT16, T3R1.
London (City): N9R1, Y400.
London (North): R100, RR12.
London (South Bank): RR2C, RR4C.
Thames: NR5C
Manchester: RR12, RR14.
Middlesex: L147.
Newcastle: RR1F, RR1K, RR1V.
Stafford (North): G5R1, G5RC.
Oxford: FR31, FRH1, RR12, RX11.
Portsmouth: M100, R110, RR12, RR14.
Sunderland: RR12.
Wolverhampton: L1R1, R100, RR12, RR14, RR18, RR1G, RR1L, RR1V, T2R1.
Cambridge (Art/Tec): LR11, RR12, RR13, RR14.
Ealing (HEd): RR14, RR16, RRC2, Y300.

German or German Studies
Bristol: RR12, RR24, RRCF, RRFK.
Coventry Lanchester: RR12, RR14, RR24.
Kingston: F1RF.
Leeds: NN3K.
Liverpool: RR12, RR24, RR28.
London (Central): RR12, RR23, RR24, RT26, T3R2.
London (City): N9R1, Y400.
London (North): RR12.
London (South Bank): RR2C, RR4F.
Thames: NR5F.
Manchester: RR12, RR24.
Newcastle: RR1F, RR2K, RR2V.
Stafford (North): G5R1, G5RF.
Oxford: CR12, FR12, FR32, FR82, FRH2, GR52, HR62, HT69, LR82, NR72, RR12, RT29, RW23, RX21, RX23, TW93, TX91.
Portsmouth: M100, R210, RR12, RR28.
Sunderland: LR32, LR72, LR82, MR12, QR32, RR12, RV21, RV27.
Wolverhampton: L1R2, RR12, RR1G, RR24, RR28, RR2L, RR2V, RR42, T2R2.
Cambridge (Art/Tec): RR12, RR23, RR24.
Ealing (HEd): RR24, RR26, RRC2, Y300.

Industrial Information Technology
Hatfield: Y100.
Leicester: G561.

Information Systems
Birmingham: G521, PP21.
Brighton: G521.
Bristol: G534, RRCF, RRCK, RRFK.
Coventry Lanchester: G501, H611, HH65.
Hatfield: GG1M.
Huddersfield: GH5P.
Kingston: G563.
Lancashire: N1G5.
Leeds: P200.
Leicester: G501.
London (Central): G500, G530.
London (City): Y400.
London (North): G5N1.
London (South Bank): G501.
Thames: G501.
Manchester: H611.
Newcastle: G522.
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Stafford (North): G501, G5R1, G5RC, G5RF, Y100.
Sheffield: F382.
Teesside: G561.
Trent: G501.
Dorset (HEd): Y400.
Essex (HEd): N122.
Humber (HEd): GN51.

Information Technology
Birmingham: G560, PP21.
Brighton: G501, G521.
Coventry Lanchester: G501, H611.
Hatfield: GG1M.
Huddersfield: G561.
Kingston: GN5C.
Lancashire: N1G5.
Leeds: P200.
Leicester: G501, G561.
London (Central): N900.
London (City): Y400.
London (North): FG35, G5N1.
London (South Bank): GH56, H100.
Thames: G501, H621.
Middlesex: FG95, FGX5, GM59, GW51, GW53.
Newcastle: G522.
London (North East): G501, Y200, Y400.
Stafford (North): G561, HN71.
Oxford: CH16, DG45, DH46, FG35, FG65, FG85, FGH5, FH16, FH36, FH66, FH86, FHH6, GH16, GH56, GR52, GW53, GX51, HL68, HN64, HN67, HR62, HT69, HV61, HW63, HX61, HX63.
Sheffield: G5GC.
Teesside: G561.
Trent: GIC5.
Wales: G500, G501, G560, G561.
Bolton (HEd): H600.
Dorset (HEd): G561, N121, N301.
Humber (HEd): Y400.

Italian
Coventry Lanchester: RR12, RR14, RR24.
London (Central): RR13, RR23, RR34, RR38, RT36, T3R3.
Cambridge (Art/Tec): RR13, RR23.

Linguistics
Brighton: T910.
London (Central): RR12, RR13, RR14, RR18, RR23, RR24, RR34, RR38, RR48, RT16, RT26, RT36, RT46, RT86, T3Q3, T3R1, T3R2, T3R3, T3R4, T3R8.
London (North East): Y400.

Manufacturing Engineering
Birmingham: G560.
Brighton: H301.
Bristol: H764.
Coventry Lanchester: H101, H1N1, H701.
Hatfield: H751, Y100.
Huddersfield: H161, H751, J401.
Kingston: H701.
Lancashire: H301.
Leeds: H781.
Leicester: J901.
Liverpool: H351, H782, HHR3.
London (Central): H300, H640.
London (South Bank): H301, H764.
Manchester: FH27, FH37, GH57, H100, H301, HW72.
London (North East): H7N1, Y200.
Oxford: H100.
Plymouth: H300.
Portsmouth: H301, H780.
Teesside: H301.
Trent: H701.
Wales: H301.
Wolverhampton: HJ75, J900.
Dorset (HEd): H120.

Marine Engineering
Liverpool: H351.

Mechanical Engineering
Birmingham: H100.
Brighton: H301.
Coventry Lanchester: H101, H301.
Huddersfield: H301.
Kingston: H301.
Lancashire: H301.
Leeds: H781.
Leicester: J901.
Liverpool: H161, H301, HHR3.
London (Central): H300.
London (South Bank): H301.
Thames: H100, H301.
Manchester: H301.
Middlesex: H301, HN31.
Newcastle: H301.
Stafford (North): H301.
Oxford: H100.
Plymouth: H300.
Portsmouth: H1N1, H301.
Sunderland: H300.
Teesside: H301.
Trent: H301.
Wales: H301.
Wolverhampton: H301.
Derby (HEd): HH35.

Microelectronics
Bristol: H641.
Coventry Lanchester: HH65.
Huddersfield: GH5P.
Kingston: F3H6, Y100.
Lancashire: Y400.
Leicester: G501, H601.
London (Central): H600, H640.
Manchester: HH65.
Middlesex: H601, H6H7, HN61.
Newcastle: F341.
London (North East): HH65.
Stafford (North): Y100.
Oxford: CH16, DH46, FH16, FH36, FH66, FH86, FHH6, GH16, GH56, HL68, HN64, HN67, HR62, HT69, HV61, HW63, HX61, HX63.
Plymouth: H621.
Sheffield: F382.
Sunderland: H610.
Teesside: H611.
Wales: HH65.
Dorset (HEd): H120.

Microstructural Engineering
Sheffield JJ2M.

Offshore Engineering
London (North East): H201.
Plymouth: H200, H300.
Portsmouth: F612, H201.

Physical Electronics
Newcastle: F341.

Plant Engineering
Trent: H751.
Wales: H301.

Production or Industrial Engineering
Brighton: H301.
Coventry Lanchester: H101, H1N1, H701.
Hatfield: H751, Y100.
Leeds: H781.
Leicester: J901.
Liverpool: H782.
Manchester: H100, H301.
Middlesex: H301.
Newcastle: H780.
Portsmouth: H780.
Wales: H301.
Buckingham (HEd): J481, J500.

Russian or Russian Studies
Coventry Lanchester: RR12, RR14, RR24.
Liverpool: RR18, RR28.
London (Central): RR18, RR38, RR48, RT86, T3R8.
Newcastle: RR1V, RR2V, RR4V.
Portsmouth: R810, RR28.
Wolverhampton: RR18, RR1V, RR28, RR2V, RR48, RR4V, T2R8.
Ealing (HEd): Y300.

Spanish or Spanish Studies
Bristol: RR14, RR24, RRCK, RRFK.
Coventry Lanchester: RR12, RR14, RR24.
Liverpool: RR14, RR24.
London (Central): RR14, RR24, RR34, RR48, RT46, T3R4.
London (City): N9R1.
London (South Bank): RR4C, RR4F.
Thames: NR5K.
Manchester: RR14, RR24.
Middlesex: N1R4, RW41, RW43.
Newcastle: RR1K, RR2K, RR4V.
Portsmouth: R410, RR14, RR46.
Wolverhampton: RR14, RR1L, RR24, RR2L, RR42, RR48, RR4V, T2R4.
Cambridge (Art/Tec): LR14, RR14, RR24.
Ealing (HEd): RR14, RR24.

Systems Analysis/Modelling
Birmingham: G521.
Brighton: G521.
Bristol: G534.
Coventry Lanchester: G501.
Lancashire: Y400.
Leicester: G501, Y400.
London (Central): G500, G530.
Thames: G501.
London (North East): Y100.
Stafford (North): G501, G5R1, G5RC, G5RF.
Portsmouth: G101.
Sheffield: G5GC.
Teesside: G501, G561.

Wood/Timber Technology
Buckingham (HEd): J500.

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Venison and silver birch wine in a Highland hamper

By Veronica Heath

When Philip Gregory's father agreed to buy fertilizer and sprays for his farm from a specific North country agricultural firm, they promised him a food hamper as an incentive. "It was a con", said Philip Gregory. "Poor quality goods, all tinned. No fresh produce and it came in a cardboard box — not in a hamper at all."

Now working in London as a marketing executive in the food industry, he decided there and then that there must be a market for a top-class mail hamper business. Having studiedfor four years at Edinburgh University he had spent all his free time on the west coast of Scotland. "I had a lot of Scottish connections and was sure the foreigners, especially, would be interested in hampers from the Highlands,"he said.

Based out of his parents' farm in Northumberland, he is able to store everything in their redundant farm buildings. His father had already diversified from farming into marquees and tents and his sister Lynn was in catering in the county. "So we make a good team. I am currently promoting my hampers at country fairs all over Britain and I am able to use one of my father's small marquees to display my products."

Philip Gregory's sister and two of his university friends each put in £1,000 to start the business off. Each partner has an important role to play but Philip is the driving force and travels extensively on promotion tours.

With the build-up to Christmas a large number of businesses give hampers to their employees and there is scope for expansion in this area. He has sent off a mail shot to all Scottish banks, insurance houses and stockbrokers, and the business has obtained free banking from the Royal Bank of Scotland and will qualify for a Scottish Development Award grant of up to £14,000 because it is marketing Highland products.

Before launching his business, Mr Gregory attended the International Food Fair at the Exhibition Centre in Birmingham and made contact with the Scottish Development Authority, which had a large stand promoting local producers.

He already has smoked venison from Rannoch and Moniak Castle in his hampers, as well as sloe gin, mead and silver birch wine — an exclusive product only produced in a limited amount. The strong, attractive hampers in various sizes come from Yugoslavia and cost only £14 for the largest size.

One of the biggest problems is giving a sense of urgency to suppliers bringing goods and preserves in from the Scottish Islands. "We trade exclusively with lairds and crofters and talking to the Islands on the telephone is rather like shouting down a cave", Mr Gregory said. "They have no sense of urgency, but they are beginning to learn that if they want to market their products they must get a move on."

Highland Connection hampers already deal with a wide range of goods and there are plans for expansion into oysters, mussels, paté and malt whiskies, as well as corkscrews, tartan rugs and smoked salmon boards. There are plans for a Burns Night hamper and an Easter hamper.

"We have also approached a Knightsbridge store with a view to a shop within a shop and they are definately interested ", he added. "Giving an interview like this can make out it has all happened easily. It hasn't; we are in a tough, competitive business. But it is a marvellous, independant feeling to be on your own, marketing something you really believe in."

Philip Gregory: "We trade exclusively with lairds and crofters"

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The fair is organized by the London Enterprise Agency (LEntA) and sponsored by the National Westminster Bank and Capital Radio. LEntA will use the fair to launch its free comprehensive directory, also sponsored by NatWest and Capital Radio.

The directory, *Getting Started*, advises beginners on the groundwork for a new business and summarizes the legal, financial, selling, marketing, accommodation and training aspects, and lists the addresses and telephone numbers of appropriate agencies.

● **Contacts:** *Yvonne Eskenzi at LEntA, 01-236 3000; Peter Seymour at NatWest, 01-726 1000, ext 1099; Alec Howe at Capital Radio, 01-380 6158*

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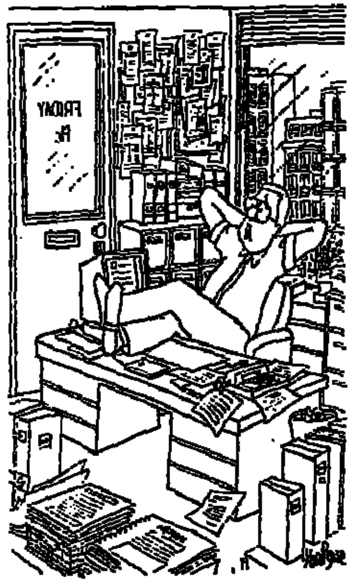

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Fewer entrepreneurs are failing

A more realistic and cautious phase in the 1980s small business explosion now seems to be under way, according to the City-based chartered accountants Moore Stephens, where a special study has been made of failure rates, *writes Brian Collett.*

A report earlier this year from David Rolph, the insolvency manager at Moore Stephens, observed that in post-recession Britain the number of public company liquidators in 1987 was more than 22 per cent lower than in the previous year — yet the number of small business insolvencies fell by only 3.3 per cent, despite the healthier economic climate.

The reason for this comparatively high failure rate among small businesses, says Mr Rolph, is that many redundant executives and other employees in the earlier 1980s used pay-off money to start ventures, high on enthusiasm but low on knowledge and circumspection.

Mr Rolph points out that about half of all business failures are thought to be due to inadequate financial controls.

However, 1988 presents a more hopeful picture. Mr Rolph says: "People are being much more cautious because they have seen so many fail, and firms and suppliers are getting better at seeing when they are in trouble."

Creditors appear to be adopting a more sensible and sympathetic policy to help to keep small businesses afloat. In his report, Mr Rolph sees "signs that banks and accountants are encouraging better business practices."

Another factor in the improving success rate is the legislation under which company directors can be disqualified for failure to keep proper records and file returns, accounts and reports. "There is a greater awareness of the penalties," says Mr Rolph.

The result of the new atmosphere of caution is that the small business failure rate for the first few months of 1988 is down by 10 per cent.

The final word of caution in Mr Rolph's report, aimed at people wishing to start a business, is: "Professional advice is indubitably worth paying for."

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From Sydney Friskin, Seoul

When Richard Dodds, Britain's captain, was asked recently who would stand on the medal rostrum at Seoul his answer was brief and to the point "Us and two others". Dodds, who was on the victory stand at Los Angeles, where Britain won the bronze medal four years ago, believes that the side he now leads, seeded No. 2, is the best of British. "Yes", he added, "gold is attainable," and there was good reason for saying so.

In Seoul, Britain can pick almost the same side that won the silver medal for England at the 1986 World Cup in London and the same award at the European championship in Moscow a year later. In both events they came tantalizingly close to the more cherished prize.

Sean Kerly is still at the forefront as a shooter, Ian Taylor continues to rank among the world's best goalkeepers and Paul Barber has recaptured his form at striking short corners. These players together with David Faulkner, who partners Barber at full back, and Jon Potter at right half, are the linchpins of the British side.

The West Germans are the team Dodds fears most among the opposition. Their outstanding player is Carsten Fischer, a colossus among full backs, noted not only for his superb striking of short corners but also for his ability to transform defence into attack.

Floris Bovelander of the Netherlands, another short corner expert, Richard Charlesworth (Australia), Shahbaz Ahmed (Pakistan), Mervyn Fernandes (India), Ignacio Escude (Spain) and Marcelo Garraffo (Argentina) are other outstanding individuals to watch out for.

At least five teams, Australia, the world champions, Pakistan, the Olympic titleholders, the Netherlands, the current European champions, West Germany, holders of the Champions' Trophy and Great Britain can all make a strong case for winning the gold medal.

Main marksman: Sean Kerly at practice in Seoul yesterday (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

The British campaign begins with a match against South Korea, the Asian Games champions, whom they beat 4-0 in the final of the invitation tournament at Ipoh, Malaysia, in June. But that was the day after the Koreans had survived a harrowing match against Pakistan in the semi- final, which went into extra time and penalty strokes. Despite their apparent naivety inside the striking circle the Koreans could be difficult to beat on home ground.

The task for Britain in their next match, against Canada, whom they have beaten twice in recent months, looks less forbidding, but there follows the most important match against the West Germans before they meet the Soviet Union, whom they also defeated at Ipoh and in Amsterdam. Finally, there is the match against India who, after finishing last in the 1986 World Cup, made everyone sit up and take notice when they won the tournament in Nairobi where they defeated Pakistan twice.

On present form Britain and West Germany should qualify for the semi-finals from this group, leaving Australia, the Netherlands and Pakistan to battle for the two remaining places in the other group, where the big dangers are Spain and Argentina. The weakest side here is Kenya, the African champions.

Of the twelve teams India have won the gold medal eight times, Pakistan on three occasions and West Germany once. England, representing Great Britain, won it in 1920 at Antwerp and before that England also won the tournament in London in 1908.

● When the six women's teams were selected for the 1984 Games in Los Angeles Britain were omitted, although the consensus was that they should have been there. Even when the number of teams for Seoul was increased to eight Britain were forced to play-off for the last place with the Soviet Union. Having overcome that obstacle comfortably they have been playing with growing assurance and are now in line for a medal.

In June, Britain won the invitation tournament at Essen where, despite losing to Australia, they defeated West Germany, silver medal winners at both the Olympic Games and the World Cup. Hopes were raised further in August when, in Amsterdam, they held the world and Olympic champions, the Netherlands, to a draw. Later, they defeated West Germany twice at Luton.

Britain are grouped with the Netherlands, Argentina and United States and have a good chance of reaching the semi-finals, much depending on the captain Barbara Hambly, Karen Brown, Violet McBride and Vicky Dixon. Australia, South Korea, Canada and West Germany make up the other group.

MEN'S TEAM

Ian Taylor, Veryan Pappin, David Faulkner, Paul Barber, Stephen Martin, Jon Potter, Richard Dodds (captain), Martyn Grimley, Stephen Batchelor, Richard Leman, James Kirkwood, Kulbir Bhaura, Sean Kerly, Robert Clift, Imran Sherwani, Russell Garcia. Manager: Roger Self. Coach: David Whitaker.

WOMEN'S TEAM

Jill Atkins, Wendy Banks, Gillian Brown, Karen Brown, Mary Nevill, Julie Cook, Vicky Dixon, Wendy Fraser, Barbara Hambly (captain), Caroline Jordan, Violet McBride, Moira McLeod, Caroline Brewer, Jane Sixsmith, Kate Parker, Alison Ramsay. Manager: Di Batterham. Coach: Dennis Hay.

MEN'S PROGRAMME

Sept 18: GB v Korea (6 15 am). Sept 20: GB v Canada (midnight). Sept 22: GB v West Germany (6.15am). Sept 24: GB v Soviet Union (4.30 am). Sept 26: GB v India (4.30 am). Sept 28: Semi-finals (4.0 am and 6.15 am). Oct 1: Final (6.15 am).

WOMEN'S PROGRAMME

Sept 21: GB v Argentina (midnight). Sept 23: GB v Netherlands (1.45 am). Sept 25: GB v USA (midnight). Sept 27: Semi-finals (4.0 am and 6.15 am). Sept 30: Final (6.15 am).

British men are no longer in awe

By Jim Railton

In the Olympic regatta women will race the standard 2,000 metres for the first time next week and the final will be spread over two days enabling competitors to risk doubling up. Pertti Karppinen, of Finland, will seek an unprecedented fourth consecutive gold medal in the single sculls. Alf Hansen, of Norway, now aged 40, also seeks a victory in the quadruple sculls 12 years after his Olympic victory in double sculls in Montreal in 1976.

The Seoul regatta already threatens to throw up a number of unpredictable winners, although the eastern bloc countries should dominate in the six women's events. Some form guide came at the Lucerne international regatta in July, but in the interim many crews will have been changed or strengthened and unseen combinations from the United States and Canada will emerge. East Germany and New Zealand will concentrate on the smaller boats.

Great Britain's five-boat men's team is arguably their strongest entered for an Olympic regatta with all boats in proven final class with an outside possibility of four medals. But there remains a large question mark over Steve Redgrave and Andy Holmes who are entered for the coxed and coxless pairs. They are among the Olympic champions at coxed fours and last year won the world coxless pairs title and the silver in the coxed pairs. This season nothing has gone right for Redgrave and Holmes. A virus laid them low early in the season; after that there were signs of staleness and fatigue; training programmes were retarded and they were defeated in the Essen international. To compound Holmes's season of woe he injured a rib, forcing their withdrawal from the Henley Royal regatta and Lucerne.

But Redgrave and Holmes have a reservoir of talent and experience backed by the expertise of Mike Spracklen, their coach. If they have at last patched their act together then they will again be a force to be feared. No doubt Dr Simon Holmes, Andy's brother, and the team's first psychologist, will be busy. The top coxless pair this season are Danut Dobre and Dragos Neagu, the Romanians.

The British crews, who have impressed this season are the British men's coxless four and the eight. Both have grown in strength. The coxless four, in their inaugural international season, finished fourth in the world championship last year just a length short of a medal. This year they won the Stewards' at Henley, finished second at Lucerne just 0.68sec behind the East German world champions but ahead of last year's silver and bronze medal winners from the Soviet Union and the United States.

The British men's eight carved their niche at Henley by coming from behind to win the Grand by one foot and beat the Australian 1986 world champions. In Lucerne, they finished behind West Germany, the top European crew this year, and a Soviet Union eight, but ahead of Canada, the United States and again, Australia. The British men's coxed four are engimatic, yet if they can fully harness their experience could be in the frame too.

The single sculls final will be the highlight of the regatta as Karppinen, in his mid-thirties, seeks his fourth successive gold medal. He strikes late and decisively in the last 250m. In the field is Peter-Michael Kolbe, West Germany's six-time world champion, and twice Olympic runner-up to the Finn. However, the dominant force in the single sculls this season has been Thomas Lange, the 1985 world champion in double sculls, of East Germany.

PROGRAMME

September 18: Draw. 19: Heats: Section A: Women: Coxed fours, double sculls and coxless pairs. Men: Coxed fours, double sculls, coxless pairs and single sculls. 20: Heats: Section B: Women: Single sculls, quadruple sculls and eights. Men: Coxed pairs, coxless fours, quadruple sculls and eights. 21: Repechages. 22: Semi-finals. 23: Petit Finales (Seventh to twelfth places). 24: Finals: Section A: Women: Coxed fours (1am), double sculls (1.10am), coxless pairs (1.30am). Men: Coxed fours (1.50am), double sculls (11.10am), coxless pairs (2.30am), single sculls (2.50am). 25: Finals: Section B: Women: Single sculls (1am), quadruple sculls (1.10am), eights (1.30am). Men: Coxed pairs (1.50am), coxless fours (2.10am), quadruple sculls (2.30am), eights (2.50am).

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BRITISH SQUAD

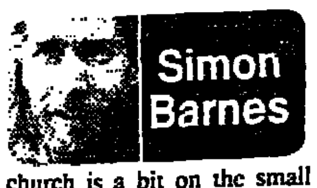
MEN: Coxed Four: Adam Clift (bow), John Maxey, John Garrett, Martin Cross, (stroke) Vaughan Thomas (cox). Coxless pair: Andrew Holmes, Steven Redgrave (stroke). Coxed pair: Andrew holmes, Steven Redgrave (stroke), Patrick Sweeney (cox). Coxless four: Mark Buckingham (bow), Stephen Peel, Simon Berrisford, Peter Mulkerrins (stroke). Eight: Richard Stanhope (bow), Salih Hassan, Pete Beaumont, Gavin Stewart, Terrance Dillon, Anton Obholzer, Stephen Turner, Nicholas Burfitt (stroke), Simon Jefferies (cox). Substitutes: Johnathen Spencer-Jones (bow, side) Matthew Brittan (stroke, side).

WOMEN: Coxed four: Fiona Johnston (bow), Katherine Grove, Joanne Gough, Susan Smith (stroke), Alison Norrish (cox). Coxless pair: Alison Bonner, Kim Thomas (stroke). Double sculls: (Provisional entry: substitutes): Sally Andrea, Alison Gill (stroke). Eight: (Provisional entry, doubling up crews and substitutes): Fiona Johnston (bow), Alison Bonner, Sally Andrea, Alison Gill, Joanna Gough, Katherine Grose, Kim Thomas, Susan Smith (stroke), Alison Norrish (cox).

TOMORROW in the special Olympic issue of *The Times*: athletics, swimming, equestrianism and tennis

Eastern bloc return puts gymnasts in the cold

British church mice await Soviet claws



In its way, gymnastics is the classic British Olympic sport. Once every four years, we become interested. Once every four years we turn our attention to people like Karen Hargate and Andrew Morris. Once every four years, we revel in the honed performances of the world's top gymnasts, and then we have a quadrennial whinge about why the British have not won any medals.

Well, we are not going to win any this time. Morris wants above all things to win a place in the first 36, which sounds as if he is setting his sights incredibly low. In fact, he is doing quite the opposite: he was 24th in Los Angeles in 1984, but this time the first team are being sent in against him: this time the Soviets and the rest of the eastern bloc oppose him.

For Hargate, a medal is about as likely as a plane ticket home via Alpha Centauri. She is all but 16 years old, roundabout the peak for a female gymnast, and she does her training in a deconsecrated church.

Her gymnastic club paid £200 for it. it eats £2,000 a year in gas, and it is still freezing cold. Gymnasts love heat: it helps a body to be supple. Cold can break bones under gymnastic stresses. The church is a bit on the small side as well, there is not enough room to perform a full floor exercise. Hargate has the luxury once a month, when she trains with the British team.

She manages to fit in three hours training a day, which is a lot by British standards, but not much as far as the world of top flight gymnastics goes. Morris is a venerable old fellow, aged 26, and he teaches gym for a living. His own training has to take second place to that.

In one way of thinking, this is ridiculous. If Morris had been a Soviet, he would have started gymnastics at six or seven, not at 11. Hargate and Morris would both be training six hours and more a day: cossetted items of national prestige.

But instead, they are both here in Seoul doomed for failure. And I applaud that. "Our youngsters are getting better all the time," said Terry Bartlett, another member of the British team, and no youngster himself, aged 25. "But the rest of the world isn't waiting for us to catch up."

"You see a lot of talent . . . and you see a lot of dropouts," Morris said. It is a frustrating business for a gymnastics teacher and once every four years, it is frustrating for British sporting enthusiasts.

British gymnasts cannot compete with athletes who have been selected as tiny children and who have been trained six hours a day ever since. I do not believe this is necessarily demeaning to British gymnastics.

"Would you want to train six hours a day?" I asked Hargate. "At the beginning. I wish I *had* done," she said.

I would not chide any member of the five-strong British gymnastic team for lack of dedication. It is the Soviets who will provide the fireworks: if we are lucky, the Soviet men should show us the first floor exercise triple somersault in Olympic history, which is a Beamon-like advance for the sport.

The British team will not be able to match such things. But in a way, I am glad they will not. Amateurism is, for those in pursuit of pure excellence, a heavy cross to bear — but it is not half as heavy as the cross of being a cossetted item of national prestige and the necessity of carrying it from a tiny child until your peak at 16.

Moorhouse bears a heavy burden

From Steven Downes

Being regarded as Britain's best chance for an Olympic medal in the pool is a big enough burden to bear, but Adrian Moorhouse knows that the morale of the entire swimming team, perhaps the whole British team at the games, could be affected by his performance in Monday's final of the 100 metres breastroke.

Total success is likely to mean Britain's first gold of the Games; failure could undermine the confidence of his colleagues. Moorhouse already knows the feeling of disappointment all too well.

In the wake of previous breastroke champions. David Wilkie and Duncan Goodhew, Moorhouse was expected to win gold in Los Angeles, and his reaction to his fourth place was to retreat from the sport altogether for four months.

"I was devastated. It was like the end of the world. I didn't want anything to do with swimming," he said. Yet within four months of his return, he was setting a short course world best. The disappointments were not over though, for in 1986, after thinking he had won the world title, he had it taken away from him by disqualification.

What perhaps made that reversal worse, however, was that Moorhouse's closest rival, Victor Davis, the Canadian who won the 200 metres breastroke at the last Olympics, was promoted to the gold.

In the nearest thing to a concession that Davis has made to Moorhouse's ability, yesterday he admitted that the Yorkshireman is favourite for gold in Seoul. "Sure, but I think I can beat him. I've beaten him before."

Whether Davis can reverse his own poor form this season, though, is arguable. He failed to make the Canadian team at his Olympic title distance, and over 100 metres is nearly a second slower this year than the Briton, for whom the American, Ricky Schroeder, and the Soviet, Dmitri Volkov, may be as big a threat to Moorhouse as the pressure of expectations.

Moorhouse: confidence high

"If I know I'm prepared to swim my fastest time ever," Moorhouse said, "Then I know I can win." Suddenly the expectations rise again, perhaps even including his breaking the world record of 61.65sec. Win or lose, Moorhouse will bear his burden well on Monday.

● Olympic authorities have banned the new "sealskin-style" costumes the Australian swimmers had wanted to use. The technical committee decided the neoprene costumes — made of material like divers' wet-suits — could not be used because they might give an advantage in buoyancy.

Laurie Lawrence, the Australian coach, said the "Aussie cossies" were tougher and smoother than conventional costumes. "It's a very light, flexible fabric, very body-hugging — like a sealskin," he said. "It's just an inovation, like the fibre-glass pole in the pole-vault, the winged keel in the America's Cup and the graphite wheel in cycling."

Equestrian team is injury free

From Jenny MacArthur

While the United States were contending yesterday with an injury to one of their leading three-day event horses, John McEwen, one of the two British team veterinary surgeons, reported that the 17 British mounts were "competition fit". This includes Jo Turi's Kruger, who has overcome a foot infection and Virginia Leng's Master Craftsman — who has recovered after a fall in practice on Wednesday.

The injured American horse is Jane Sleeper's Out on Business who has a suspected strained tendon and will almost certainly miss the three day event competition which begins on Monday. Although the team, the defending gold medal winners, have plenty of reserve horses. Out on Business was reckoned to be one of their best. He finished third behind Bruce Davidson's two horses at the final selection trial in May.

Davidson is in the happy position of having both horses, Dr Peaches and J J Babu, on form. He will decide after today's course walk which to ride. His show jumping compatriot, Joe Fargis, the defending individual gold medal winner, has a similar choice to make between Touch of Class, on whom he won his medal, and the younger Mill Pearl.

The facilities for the horses at the newly-built Seoul Equestrian Park are excellent. After the Olympics the park is to be officially opened as a racecourse — replacing the existing one at Ttuksom. There is stabling for 1,650 horses, seven dressage and jumping exercise arenas, an equine clinic, laboratory, farrier station and equine swimming pool.

The only drawback is the shortage of grass — as anticipated by the British who have brought out special grass making machines.

Medal hopes improve as Mahony passed fit

From John Goodbody

Britain's considerable chances of winning a medal in the team modern pentathlon improved yesterday when Dominic Mahony was passed fit for the five-day competition which begins on Sunday.

Mahony, sixth in last year's world championships, damaged his right knee in leaping off a horse last month and the joint will be fully tested in the day-long fencing competition on Monday. Both a medial ligament and a cartilage have been affected and as Mahony leads with his right knee in the epée, there is a constant risk of further injury. The pentathlete is particularly skilled at this event being British champion in 1986.

Ron Bright, the team manager, insisted yesterday that Mahony "could go into action today if required to do so" but there must be a question mark over the injury. Only constant work by the British Olympic Association medical team has assured his participation.

A modern pentathlon, in which Britain won a celebrated Olympic victory in 1976, is a notoriously difficult event to predict because of the hazards of horse riding and pistol shooting.

Bright terms the riding event on the first day a "lottery". Italian horses are being used and they can be particularly frisky. But Bright says if the three-man British team of Mahony, Graham Brookhouse and Ric Phelps, who lost the Olympic title in Los Angeles because of a disastrous shoot of 184 out of 200, can get 1,100 or close to that score in the riding, then a medal is certainly possible.

Britain finished third in both the world and European championships last year, but Bright considers that the gap has narrowed between Britain and its rivals.

Phelps has had psychological advice to help him get over his nervousness in shooting. In Los Angeles many of his rivals used beta-blockers, which have now been banned by the International Olympic Committee, although competitors may have found other drugs which are still not proscribed to calm their nerves.

Bright says: "I have led the fight against doping since 1972. I think we have succeeded but I am not certain that we have won the war."

All clear

Three Israeli boxers were given clearance yesterday to compete in Seoul pending a decision on whether to suspend the Israeli Boxing Federation because of a recent tour to South Africa. Anwar Chowdhry, president of the International Amateur Boxing Association, said: "Until the decision is made on suspension these three can take part in the Games."

Archers in record form

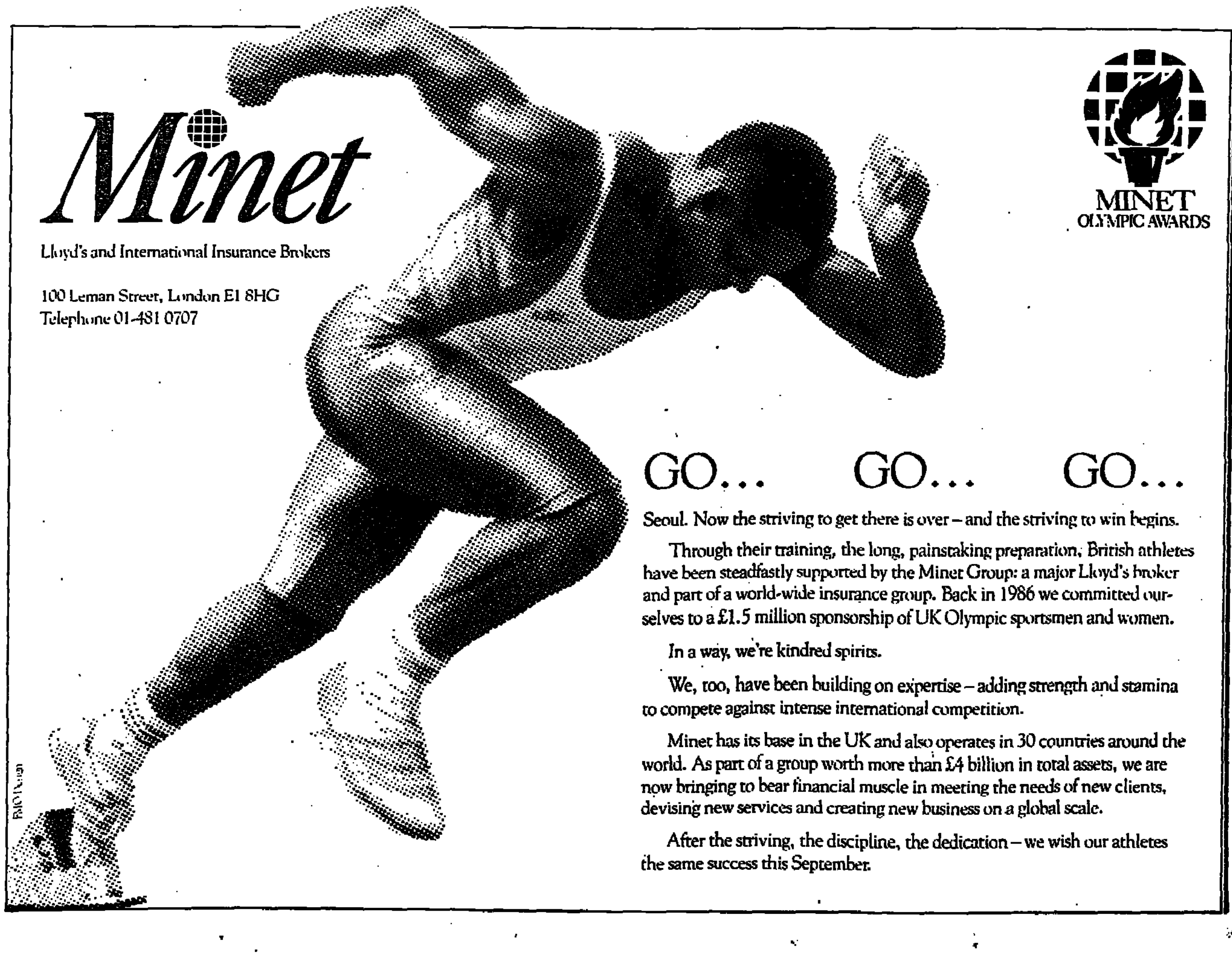
Britain's archers took their first look at the Hwarang archery field near Seoul yesterday, brimming with confidence after smashing eight British records between them at an international competition in Italy.

Joanne Franks, from Thetford, Norfolk, captured four British bests while the team — Franks, Cheryl Sutton (Norwich), and Pauline Edwards (Epsom) — broke two more records to win the team event ahead of a Soviet trio.

Steve Hallard, Britain's No. 1 men's archer, from Rugby, set national marks in two more disciplines.

David Clarke, the team manager, said: "It was an excellent trip and we couldn't have had a better boost."

● Countries boycotting Olympics will be welcome to change their minds until the last day of the Games, Park Seh-jik, president of the Seoul Olympic Organizing Committee, said yesterday. The last event a competitor could enter is the men's marathon on October 2.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RACING

Glencroft to lead cup rivals a merry dance

By Mandarin

Glencroft can set the seal on a remarkable season for himself and his trainer, David Chapman, by landing the Ladbrokes Ayr Gold Cup at the premier Scottish track this afternoon.

Since winning at Haydock on the last day of June, the Stillington-trained four-year-old has gone from strength to strength and his latest victory at York 16 days ago was his seventh of the campaign. Golden Ancona (second), Dawns Delight (sixth) and Profilic (last but one) are all held on that York form.

Arguably, though, his finest efforts have come in defeat when carrying 23lb more than his long handicap weight into second place behind Rotherfield Greys in the Stewards' Cup in July and again when second to Roman Prose in last week's Portland Handicap.

Powder Blue, 1½ lengths behind Glencroft in third at Doncaster, re-opposes here on 3lb worse terms as do Derwent Valley, Chaplins Club, Profilic, Swing Lucky and Fourwalk who were further adrift.

Chaplins Club has also contributed seven victories to Chapman's tally of 29 this season, the eight-year-old's successes coming in a nine-race 18-day spell in high summer.

A fair ninth at Doncaster in his second race back after a short break, it would be unwise to dismiss this hardy veteran but he may have to settle for place money now that he has been reassessed for his mid-season victory march.

Of the remainder, I have most regard for the Wokingham runner-up Norgabie, who has had a much lighter season than many of her rivals and gained a listed race victory in Munich in July.

However, Glencroft still appears well-treated and the catch-me-if-you-can tactics which have been employed to such good effect in recent months should yield their biggest dividend to date.

My other principal fancy at Ayr is **Own Free Will**, who figures on an attractive mark in the Weir Memorial Trophy and has the give underfoot she requires to produce her best.

Lynda Ramsden's three-year-old finished an excellent second to Per Quod, beaten only a head, on her latest run at Haydock 13 days ago and that form was given a timely fillip at Ayr on Wednesday when Per Quod successfully stepped up to listed race company in the Doonside Cup.

At Newbury, the consistent but luckless **Princess Athena** is given a narrow vote over her old rival, Young Hal, in the Marlborough Stakes.

David Elsworth's speedy filly had Young Hal behind when chasing home Proud And Keen at Ascot in June and again when runner-up to Silver Fling at Sandown.

The pair meet on similar terms here but Young Hal could well head the market, having since run a cracking race when second to Point Of Light at Newmarket. However, Princess Athena is fancied to confirm her superiority.

The two-year-old races on this card traditionally throw up some top class performers and today's well-bred contestants are unlikely to prove an exception to that rule.

My best news in the Haynes, Hanson and Clark Stakes concerns the Northern Baby colt **Moonfish**, who represents the combination successful in this race five years ago with Rainbow Quest.

Michael Stoute saddled Milligram and Mamouna to finish first and second two years ago in the Jack Collier Memorial Stakes (formerly the Stable Stud and Farm Stakes) and now introduces the $400,000 daughter of Kris, **Aljood**.

Earlier in the afternoon, Richard Hannon looks the trainer to follow with **Down The Valley** (2.10) and **Lady Of Shalott** (2.40) both holding sound chances.

Blinkered first time

NEWBURY: 4.10 Breakaway. Lively Pebbles. AYR: 3.5 Prince Of The Glen. Super Benz, Remwood Girl. 3.40 Supreme Rose. 4.40 North Lake.

Tancred Sand eyes rich Ascot prize

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

Tancred Sand sent the holiday punters home happy when winning the Bogside Cup for the second year running at Ayr yesterday. Partnered by his 1987 winning jockey, Adam Shoults, the 11-4 favourite swept clear of his rivals 1½ furlongs from home and then held on gamely in the sticky going to beat Hopping Around by a length.

Malcolm Jefferson's five-year-old will attempt to defy a 3lb penalty in the £65,000 Tote Festival Handicap at Ascot tomorrow week in which he now has 7st 6lb.

"He's got so much foot he went through them like a knife through butter," the Malton trainer said. "He's so well that he reared up on his hind legs and nearly went mad when led out of his box on the course this morning."

With this afternoon's cavalry charge, the Ayr Gold Cup, uppermost in everybody's mind, maximum attention was focussed on the result of races run over the straight course.

In the Harry Rosebery Challenge Trophy, over five furlongs, Michael Hills brought Petrillia up the centre of the track to win by two lengths. That's The One, the second horse home, went from racing under the stands rails to join the winner.

"I went there to get the faster going," said the winning jockey. "But the ones on the rails were in front until I went on a furlong out."

Ian Matthews, trainer of the runner-up, commented: "We may have been beaten by the draw but we were trying to give 11lb to the winner. It was a good performance and I think we're entitled to go for the Cornwallis Stakes at Ascot. The disappointments of the race were Wonder Dancer and Madam Millie, who finished fourth and last respectively.

Hills then put his theory into dramatic effect when completing a 104-1 double on Uncle Ernie. In the Shaw Memorial Handicap, a 24-runner contest over the big-race distance of six furlongs, Uncle Ernie was drawn six and Ned's Aura, who was beaten a head, drawn nine.

Music Wood and B Grade, who finished third and fourth, beaten three lengths and two lengths respectively, were drawn 21 and 20.

Yesterday, ante-post backers were gambling on the low numbers having the advantage. The best-backed horse was Powder Blue, Peter Makin's Wokingham Stakes winner, who is drawn three. A bet of £5,000 each-way at 12-1 saw Powder Blue's price trimmed to 9-1 with William Hill. There has also been significant late money for Tyrian Belle, who is drawn eight.

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Francome set to train again

John Francome, the former champion National Hunt champion jockey, has won a prolonged battle with the planning authorities to build a new training complex in Lambourn.

The seven-times champion was due to attend a public inquiry next Tuesday after appealing against Newbury District Council's 1987 decision to refuse planning permission.

Yesterday, though, the council's area planning committee approved a slightly-revised application for the same site. The compromise scheme successfully overcame the council's previous objections that the complex would be unsightly in an area classed officially as being of outstanding natural beauty.

Francome, champion seven times between 1975 and 1985, took up training on his retirement from the saddle in 1985 but temporarily gave up his new career last year, having sold his original yard before planning permission for the new site was refused.

Second century for Cochrane

Ray Cochrane reached the 100-winner mark for the second successive season with a double on Swing Shift and Rain Burst at Brighton yesterday.

He is the fifth jockey to reach his century this season and is well placed to beat last year's personal best of 111.

HUNTINGDON

Selections

By Mandarin

2.30 Affaire De Coeur. 3.0 Milton Bryan. 3.30 Mister Butler. 4.0 Super Spark. 4.30 Abbreviation. 5.0 Staghound. 5.30 Oh My Joy.

Going: firm

2.30 SPALDING NOVICES HURDLE (£1,115: 2m 100yd) (10 runners)

1	-313	ROYAL EFFIGY 13 (D,F) R Weaver 5-11-5	A Webb
3	PP-	BARNACLE BILL 170 I Campbell 5-10-12	R Campbell
5		PORTHMEOR 3F Miss B Sanders 5-10-12	I Shoemark (4)
6	0F-	REHEARSING 261 J White 5-10-12	K Burke
7	P0-P	SONG AN'DANCE MAN 18 Mrs A Lee 5-10-12	B de Haan
9	/0-1	WARRENS BOY 14 (F,G) D Murray-Smith 6-10-12	G Bradley
10		BRAINWAVE 431F S Dow 4-10-10	R Guest
17	00-3	TROJAN SONG 14 (B) A Turnell 4-10-10	Steve Knight
20	003-	TIBER SEAL 109 P Allingham 6-10-7	H Davies
22	00-	AFFAIRE DE COEUR 25F P Haslam 4-10-5	S McNeil

5-2 Royal Effigy, 3-1 Warrens Boy, 4-1 Trojan Song, 6-1 Affaire De Coeur, 8-1 Porthmeor, 10-1 others.

3.0 UPWOOD NOVICES SELLING HURDLE (3-Y-O: £972: 2m 100yd) (13)

1		BELDINE 65F I Matthews 10-10	R Goldstein
4	0	FATHER KELLY 13 (B) T Etherington 10-10	R Rowe
5		FIDDLERS GREEN 6F T Casey 10-10	R Dunwoody
6		FORT JAMES 77F J Ringer 10-10	D Murphy
7		HERBIE JOHN 23F (B) I Campbell 10-10	R Campbell
8		INVOLVED AGAIN 22F D Marks 10-10	—
10	4	MILTON BRYAN 41 J Ffitch-Heyes 10-10	Penny Ffitch-Heyes (4)
11		NICKYLEE 10F J Glover 10-10	S Harris (7) —
16	3	VAGOG 4F N Tinkler 10-10	NON-RUNNER
17	4	WHISTLING TIGER 18 D Burchell 10-10	D J Burchell (4)
19		CEDAR LADY 48F R Hodges 10-5	W Irvine (7)
21		LOVING 20F (V) G Blum 10-5	J Barlow
25	2	TUPS 14 G Roe 10-5	P McDermott (7)

7-4 Whistling Tiger, 3-1 Milton Bryan, 9-2 Tups, Fiddler's Green, 8-1 Loving, 10-1 Nickylee, 20-1 others.

3.30 RUDDLES PERMIT TRAINERS ASSOCIATION HANDICAP CHASE (Amateurs: £1,844: 2m 4f) (10)

1	-F64	KYOTO 35 (F,G) J Jenkins 10-11-13	Miss S Lawrence
5	3251	MISTER BUTLER 7 (C,F,G) P Jones 9-11-8 (8ex)	Mr T Grantham
7	30P0	PENDOR LAWN 6 (D,F,G) P O'Connor 11-11-4	Mr G Hanmer
8	24-3	SASSANOCO 14 (D,F,G,S) K Bailey 7-11-2	Mr A Tory (7)
12	6-44	FLEMINGTON 13 (F) W Perrin 9-10-0	—
13	21-4	BOREEN GEAL 15 (D,F) J Webber 7-10-0	Miss J Henry (7)
17	0PF-	MIGHTY DISASTER 132 (C,F) W Kemp 10-10-0	Mr H Finnegan (7)
18	P34-	JONIX 148 J Gifford 7-10-0	Mr C Burnett-Wells
19	63-4	SILVER SNOW 18 (F) Mrs E Scott 10-10-0	Miss J Scott (7)
21	P3-5	NOBLE BLADE 18 T Rollingson 9-10-0	Mr R Downing (7)

11-4 Jonix, 3-1 Sassanoco, 9-2 Mister Butler, 6-1 Boreen Geal, 8-1 Silver Snow, 10-1 Kyoto, 14-1 others.

4.0 OLD FLETTON HANDICAP CHASE (£2,124: 2m 200yd) (11)

3	6412	MARKET LEADER 14 (D,F,G) G Kindersley 8-11-11	M Lynch
7	-211	CORKED 4 (CD,F,G,S) Mrs E Heath 9-11-9 (7ex)	Mr P Harding-Jones (7)
8	33-1	AKRAM 18 (D,F,G,S) R Hodges 10-11-1	B Powell
9	35P-	BUCKFAST ABBEY 198 (D,F,G) P Harris 8-10-12	D Skyrme (7)
10	131-	SUPER SPARK 140 (D,F,G,S) S Christian 9-10-10	J Osborne
12	-422	TUMBLE JIM 20 (D,F,G) T Cunningham 9-10-0	C Grant
13	5/F	ROSEBERRY BOY 32 (D,F) R Weaver 11-10-0	C Llewellyn
14	202-	JAUNTER 111 (D,S) W Holden 8-10-0	NON-RUNNER
15	614-	RIDE HIGH 129 (CD,F) T Casey 10-10-0	R Dunwoody
16	353-	DORNVALLEY LAD 108 (CD,F,G) P Pritchard 7-10-0	R Stronge
17	5-63	JOHNNY TARQUIN 18 (D,F) R Ledger 15-10-0	Mrs N Ledger

7-4 Corked, 5-2 Super Spark, 4-1 Akram, 6-1 Market Leader, 8-1 Tumble Jim, 12-1 Ride High, 14-1 others.

4.30 GOODLIFF HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,917: 2m 100yd) (11)

1	101-	ABBREVIATION 153 (C,D,F,G) J Gifford 5-11-10	R Rowe
4	03-0	TINGLE BELL 11 (B,D,F,G) Ronald Thompson 6-11-7	—
7	P-34	CHARLIE DICKINS 18 (D,S) R Hollinshead 4-10-12	R Dunwoody
8	2-5U	RUN BY JOVE 18 (D,S) Miss P Hall 5-10-12	A Webb
10	54-3	ZAGAZIG 18 (S) (D,BF) N Callaghan 5-10-11	D Murphy
18	-054	USELESS MEMBER 24 (D,S) A Moore 6-10-0	Candy Morris (4)
20	F00-	NIPPY CHIPPY 183 (CD,G,S) G Roe 5-10-0	R Goldstein
21	026-	MAID MARINER 112 (D,F,G) Miss G Rees 6-10-0	W Worthington
22	1PP-	O'CONNELL STREET 146 (CD,F) R Weaver 4-10-0	C Llewellyn
23	0-41	QUALITAIR KING 18 (S) Miss S Wilton 5-10-0	S Davies (7)
24	415-	ROBERT FROST 109 (D,G) G Gracey 6-10-0	D Morris

5-2 Abbreviation, 3-1 Charlie Dickins, 6-1 Zagazig, 8-1 Run By Jove, Qualitair King, 10-1 Useless Member, 14-1 others.

5.0 MARCH NOVICES CHASE (£1,625: 3m) (6)

3	0F-1	SAND CASTLE 18 (C,F,G) M Ryan 7-11-5	G McCourt
6	P0/	BATTLE'S TOWN BOY 864 Mrs V Ward 6-11-0	—
13	-101	PROMINENT RULER 44 (F,G,S) T Casey 7-11-0	R Dunwoody
15	/0P-	SMOKEY'S SON 308 Miss G Rees 9-11-0	W Worthington
16	435-	STAGHOUND 272 (F,S) J Gifford 5-11-0	R Rowe
19	53-2	TEWTRELL LAD 18 J Bukovets 5-10-11	R Stronge

2-1 Sand Castle, 11-4 Staghound, 4-1 Prominent Ruler, 11-2 Tewtrell Lad, 12-1 Smokey's son, 14-1 Battle's Town Boy.

5.30 INTUITION MARES ONLY LADY RIDERS HANDICAP HURDLE (Fillies & mares: £999: 2m 100yd) (9)

3	061-	PRINCEABLE LADY 98F (D,F,S) N Gaselee 4-11-12	Lorna Vincent
4	43S-	KATY QUICK 109 (D,S) M Naughton 7-11-10	Miss J Davies
6	-213	DAME FLORA 36 (D,BF,F) W Kemp 6-11-2	Tanya Davis (4)
9	1-U3	TOP GOLD 6 (D,BF,F,S) R Hodges 9-10-9	Gee Armytage
10	401-	OH MY JOY 27F (F) Miss B Sanders 4-10-8	Penny Ffitch-Heyes (4)
11	6-63	ROCHES ROOST 15 (D,F) T Casey 5-10-7	Julie Saunders
13	050-	SHIKABELL 15F P Jones 4-10-0	Jessica Charles-Jones (7)
15	0-P6	LADY OWEN 18 R Spicer 5-10-0	Sharron James
16	5-P0	QUITE SO 4 D Williams 4-10-0	Amanda Langton

11-4 Princeable Lady, 3-1 Katy Quick, 4-1 Dame Flora, 13-2 Top Gold, 8-1 Oh My Joy, 12-1 Roches Roost, 16-1 others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: I Matthews, 3 winners from 13 runners, 23.1%; S Christian, 3 from 15, 20.0%; J Gifford, 17 from 90, 18.9%; M Ryan, 4 from 26, 15.4%; T Casey, 6 from 39, 15.4%; P Harris, 4 from 36, 11.1%.

JOCKEYS: Mr T Grantham, 3 winners from 12 rides, 25.0%; G Bradley, 4 from 17, 23.5%; Steve Knight, 4 from 17, 23.5%; A Webb, 4 from 21, 19.0%; Richard Guest, 6 from 38, 15.8%; R Rowe, 12 from 78, 15.4%.

Memorial service

Leading figures from the racing world attended the parish church at Lambourn yesterday for the memorial service of Vivian Kennedy, who died after a fall at Huntingdon last month. Peter Scudamore and Richard Dunwoody were among the jockeys in attendance while the trainers present included Jenny Pitman and Charlie Brooks.

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By Mandarin

2.05 Blue Orca.
2.35 Modesty On Ice.
3.05 Filicaia.
3.40 *GLENCROFT* (nap).
4.10 Own Free Will.
4.40 Please Kenneh.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.05 —
2.35 MODESTY ON ICE (nap).
3.05 Crosby.
3.40 Au Courant.
4.10 Whipp's Cross.
4.40 Papaia.

By Michael Seely

3.40 GOLDEN ANCONA (nap). 4.40 Please Kenneh.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.35 MODESTY ON ICE.

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 .... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing: J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. *The Times Private Handicapper's rating.*

Going: good to soft **Draw: 6f low numbers best**

2.5 COYLE GRADUATION STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,155: 6f) (18 runners)

3	(15)		ARRAN VIEW (Mrs J MacPherson) P Calver 8-11	G Duffield	—
4	(16)	2	BLUE ORCA 32 (H Kaskel) B Hills 8-11	R Cochrane	● 99
5	(12)		BOLD REPUBLIC (G Martin) T Barron 8-11	D Nicholls	—
6	(17)	0	COCK-A-DOODLE-DO 18 (G Reed) C Thornton 8-11	J Bleasdale	—
8	(5)		GATHERING SPEED (F Lee) F Lee 8-11	A Culhane	—
10	(4)		KING'S WISH (D Hasmetali) J S Wilson 8-11	A Clark	—
11	(8)		KING TREVISIO (M Hartley) R Whitaker 8-11	Dean McKeown	—
13	(13)	0	TOWNY BOY 8 (A Fawcett) M Jefferson 8-11	A Shoults (3)	—
14	(14)	5	WALL STREET SLUMP 39 (G Squire) W J Pearce 8-11	L Charnock	84
20	(6)		BURSANA (A Lyons) C Booth 8-6	K Hodgson	—
21	(1)	58	DANALLY 11 (Mrs P Goulandris) P Calver 8-6	S Perks	92
22	(7)	5	D'YA RECKON 37 (J Eyre) Denys Smith 8-6	P Dalton (7)	85
24	(9)		KOO (Full Circle D Plc) N Tinkler 8-6	Kim Tinkler	—
25	(18)	4	MAYDAY MIRACLE 18 (Mrs R Nurse) J Watts 8-6	N Connorton	84
27	(3)		ROYAL-BLUE BELLE (Royal-Blue Racing Plc) M Brittain 8-6	M Wigham	—
28	(11)	0	SMALL WIND 11 (C Elsey) C Elsey 8-6	—	—
29	(2)		TIME ON MY HANDS (G Reed) C Thornton 8-6	M Beecroft	—
30	(10)	5	TIMES CHOICE 23 (I Glenton) W Stubbs 8-6	S Whitworth	79

BETTING: 9-4 Blue Orca, 7-2 Mayday Miracle, 9-2 Danally, 6-1 Cock-A-Doodle-Do, 8-1 Arran View, 12-1 Wall Street Slump, Koo, D'Ya Reckon, 16-1 others.

1987: YOUNG HAL 9-4 N Howe (Evens fav) P Walwyn 9 ran

2.35 JOHNNIE WALKER WHISKY STAKES (3-Y-O fillies: £3,791: 7f) (6 runners) C4

1	(4)	0-2318	LEXIA 49 (D,S) (Col G Murray-Smith) D Murray-Smith 9-5	W Ryan	81
3	(6)	2-35546	CHADENSHE 27 (D,G) (D Wright) W Jarvis 9-2	M Birch	85
5	(2)	3158	STANHOPE 14 (D,S) (M Salem) B Hanbury 9-2	G Duffield	78
6	(1)	452231	BASIC STAR 18 (F) (Bloodstock And Stud Investment) P Walwyn 8-12	N Howe	81
7	(5)	23-1226	MODESTY ON ICE 14 (F) (P Hogan) L Cumani 8-12	R Cochrane	● 99
8	(3)	4	BRIZLINCOTE 18 (J Lomas) G Wragg 8-7	Paul Eddery	74

BETTING: 4-6 Modesty On Ice, 3-1 Basic Star, 9-2 Brizlincote, 10-1 Stanhope, 14-1 others.

1987: NORFOLK BREEZE 8-12 Paul Eddery (4-1) G Wragg 5 ran

FORM *LEXIA*, outclassed at Newmarket last time, showed better form at Chepstow (7f, good to soft) when coming late to beat Basic Star a head. CHADENSHE lacks pace and was probably flattered to finish 6½l 4th to Jerwah in a Newmarket graduation event last time. BASIC STAR gained a deserved win in a Warwick maiden last time. But the margin of victory was only a short head and she needs to improve to trouble *MODESTY ON ICE who is the obvious form pick on her ¾l 2nd to Park Street in a Windsor handicap on* penultimate start. The below par effort in a Kempton handicap run in snatches last time is best forgotten. STANHOPE has been well beaten a couple of times since winning a Chepstow maiden. BRIZLINCOTE looked leggy and backward when 1¾l 4th in a Warwick sprint (5f).

Selection: MODESTY ON ICE

3.5 LADBROKE RACING NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £5,228: 6f) (24 runners) C4

3	(12)	316541	DENHAM GREEN 13 (D,F,S) (P Muldoon) S Muldoon 10-0 (10ex)	A Munro (5)	93
5	(19)	10	PRINCE OF THE GLEN 23 (B,D,BF,S) (A Solomons) G Harwood 9-7	A Clark	97
6	(6)	113230	SUPER BENZ 18 (V,F,S) (T Bennett) M H Easterby 9-6	M Birch	95
8	(1)	311200	TYRNIPPY 17 (G,S) (M D M Racing Ltd) M Brittain 9-6	M Wigham	96
9	(10)	114444	FILICAIA 13 (F) (Don Enrico Incisa) N Tinkler 9-5	Kim Tinkler	92
10	(2)	214114	BLUE BELL MUSIC 6 (D,G,S) (G Adams) J Berry 9-4	J Carroll	92
12	(15)	1304	SOLA MIA 13 (D,F) (Mrs P Barratt) W Pearce 9-3	D Nicholls	95
13	(18)	15	AARDVARK 42 (D,G) (Mrs M Pollard-Gill) R Whitaker 9-1	Dean McKeown	87
14	(21)	040611	LETSBEONESTABOUTIT 30 (D,F) (S Roots) G Lewis 9-1	Paul Eddery	98
17	(4)	020	LARISTON GALE 22 (Lariston Apartments Ltd) M Tompkins 8-12	A Mackay	91
19	(7)	203400	RYAN'S WAY 10 (J Ryan) C Tinkler 8-12	—	91
23	(14)	041120	CROSBY 48 (D,G,S) (J Etherton) J Payne 8-10	R Cochrane	88
24	(9)	040	TWOTIME BID 29 (Mrs C Geraghty) Miss S Hall 8-8	NON-RUNNER	—
26	(16)	145660	NORDIC BRAVE 31 (S) (M Brittain) M Brittain 8-7	—	89
28	(3)	422	MY DARK ROSALEEN 27 (BF) (Mrs P Watts) J Watts 8-6	N Connorton	91
29	(20)	155323	CARRY ON CARY 18 (S) (I Glenton) W Stubbs 8-5	S Whitworth	93
30	(22)	066	ASTRONOMER 18 (J Collinson) F Lee 8-5	A Culhane (3)	90
33	(13)	014033	GRAND BALL 4 (F) (J Wilson) J S Wilson 8-3	S Wood (5)	95
34	(11)	61	ELOFAHABIT 144 (F) (D Brereton) L Barratt 8-3	A Proud	● 99
35	(24)	332456	CHORAL SUNDOWN 28 (D Ford) Denys Smith 8-1	P Dalton (7)	97
39	(5)	40036	MADONIJAH 22 (C Bliss) M Brittain 7-13	—	87
42	(17)	408	THRINTOFT 18 (W Swiers) T Barron 7-11	J Lowe	90
45	(23)	04060	DALESIDE LADYBIRD 31 (Daleside Ltd) T Fairhurst 7-9	—	86
46	(8)	452300	REMWOOD GIRL 8 (B) (Mrs G Lister) W Bentley 7-7	—	79

Long handicap: Remwood Girl 7-2

BETTING: 9-2 My Dark Rosaleen, 5-1 Denbham Green, 11-2 Prince Of The Glen, 6-1 Super Benz, 7-1 Blue Bell Music, 8-1 Letsbeonestaboutit, 10-1 Crosby, 12-1 Aadvark, 16-1 others.

1987: BELLE CANTICLE 8-8 G Carter (10-1) G Pritchard-Gordon 11 ran

FORM DENHAM GREEN was suited by the heavy ground when all out to beat Waltz On Air ½l in a valuable nursery last time. However the 10lb penalty does little for his chance today. PRINCE OF THE GLEN was a beaten favourite in a Bath nursery last time following a soft ground Lingfield maiden win. BLUE BELL MUSIC is a consistent performer. Beaten by the draw at Doncaster last time she is better judged on a 1l Haydock claiming win from Shine Again with MADONIJAH (10lb better off) 10l 8th. LARISTON GALE showed modest form on firm ground either side of a 1l 2nd to Zaitech in a Nottingham maiden (6f, maiden). CROSBY showed early pace in a very competitive Newmarket nursery last time and is 8lb better off for the 1½l he was beaten by TRYNIPPY *in a soft ground* Warwick nursery on previous start. TWOTIME BID was outclassed behind Danehill at York last time and makes handicap bow. He had previously finished 2½l 4th to Taylor's Realm at Catterick (7f) with THRINTOFT (5lb better off) 4l 8th and races from a favourable low draw. LETSBEONESTABOUTIT is undoubtedly temperamental but won a well above average York seller last time. *GRAND BALL is well handicapped but could* only stay on at one pace when 3rd in a soft ground Hamilton nursery last time. ELOFAHABIT is also well in at the weights but has not run since April when ¾l winner of a Wolverhampton maiden.

Selection: TWOTIME BID

3.40 LADBROKES AYR GOLD CUP HANDICAP (£25,700: 6f) (29 runners) C4

1	(18)	414460	SHARP REMINDER 21 (D,F,G,S) (R Jacobson) D Laing 4-9-10	A Whitehall (7)	82
5	(26)	003006	DAWN'S DELIGHT 16 (V,CD,G,S) (K Ivory) K Ivory 10-9-3	M Wigham	87
6	(4)	15-0500	PEATSWOOD SHOOTER 127 (D,S) (G Ashton) M Brittain 4-9-1	A Munro (5)	83
7	(24)	511-260	AU COURANT 20 (D,BF,G,S) (M Buckley) R Armstrong 3-8-12	G Baxter	87
8	(19)	002310	NORGABIE 27 (D,F,G) (P Goulandris) P Calver 4-8-11	S Perks	87
9	(14)	551452	PREMIER LAD 8 (B,D,F,G) (Premier Properties Ltd) W Pearce 4-8-9	D Nicholls	89
10	(20)	120012	GOLDEN ANCONA 16 (D,G,S) (D Gorton) M H Easterby 5-8-9 (7ex)	M Birch	92
11	(17)	032804	DORKING LAD 27 (D,G,S) (J Freedman) M Tompkins 6-8-6	G Duffield	88
12	(12)	121100	CHAPLINS CLUB 9 (B,CD,F,G,S) (P Savill) D Chapman 8-8-5	K Darley	82
13	(28)	401510	RESTORE 27 (B,CD,F,G,S) (Mrs S Khan) G Lewis 5-8-5	J Bleasdale	86
14	(3)	0-01263	POWDER BLUE 9 (D,F,G,S) (S McColl) P Makin 6-8-5	R Cochrane	85
15	(22)	313112	GLENCROFT 9 (B,C,D,BF,F,G,S) (M Wane) D Chapman 4-8-4 (7ex)	S Webster	● 99
16	(2)	640060	FOURWALK 9 (D,F,S) (W Fouracres) Mrs N Macauley 4-8-3	S Whitworth	—
17	(1)	103030	CRONK'S QUALITY 31 (D,F,G,S) (Cronk Garages) G Lewis 5-8-2	Paul Eddery	87
18	(5)	025000	ATALL ATALL 17 (F,G) (A Millward) G Moore 5-8-1	S Wood (5)	87
19	(9)	6-10300	ONE LINER 79 (D,F,G,S) (K Al-Said) N Callaghan 4-8-1	N Connorton	86
21	(16)	322000	PROFILIC 9 (D,F,G) (J Goodman) J H Wilson 3-7-12	L Charnock	83
23	(7)	006314	DUCK FLIGHT 17 (G,S) (Causeway Ltd) J Douglas-Home 6-7-11	G Bardwell (3)	81
24	(21)	212003	ONE MAN BAND 6 (D,F) (D Adams) Mrs S Oliver 4-7-10	J Quinn (5)	80
25	(27)	126460	DERWENT VALLEY 9 (CD,F,S) (D Buchanan) R Hannon 4-7-10	D McKay	85
26	(29)	043455	MAJOR IVOR 31 (F) (P Colquhoun) Mrs G Reveley 3-7-8	G Hind (5)	85
27	(23)	012330	SWING LUCKY 9 (S) (Mrs L Ward) K Ivory 3-7-8	J Carter (5)	82
28	(13)	0-60605	MACROBIAN 18 (V,D,F) (Miss E Macgregor) M H Easterby 4-7-7	J Lowe	80
29	(8)	1-11530	TYRIAN BELLE 83 (D,G,S) (W Ponsonby) P Cole 3-7-7	R Fox	80
30	(10)	200002	FOOLISH TOUCH 18 (V,C,D,F,G,S) (A Field) W Musson 6-7-7	A Mackay	86
31	(11)	000110	STELBY 23 (CD,F) (V Sassie) O Brennan 4-7-7	M Fry	82
32	(15)	220061	GERSHWIN 10 (V,D,F,G,S) (D Ayres) Denys Smith 5-7-7 (5ex)	P Dalton (7)	82
33	(6)	012610	SO CAREFUL 27 (D,F,G,S) (T Doherty) J Berry 5-7-7	N Carlisle	84
34	(25)	0-00004	SUPREME ROSE 20 (V,D,F,S) (E Badger) W Musson 4-7-7	E Johnson	88

Long handicap: Tyrian Belle 7-6, Foolish Touch 7-5, Stelby 7-5, Gershwin 7-4, So Careful 7-3, Supreme Rose 7-3.

BETTING: 4-1 Glencroft, 8-1 Golden Ancona, 12-1 Powder Blue, 14-1 Chaplins Club, 16-1 Dorking Lad, Duck Flight, Premier Lad, 20-1 Cronk's Quality, Tyrian Belle, Au Courant, Dawns Delight, 25-1 others.

1987: NOT SO SILLY 3-7-10 G Bardwell (12-1) A Bailey 29 ran

FORM GLENCROFT tends to drift left and *would have been better off drawn* low. This genuine front runner was 2nd in the Portland last time with POWDER BLUE (3lb worse off) 1½l 3rd and DERWENT VALLEY, CHAPLINS CLUB, PROFILIC, SWING LUCKY and FOURWALK in rear. POWDER BLUE who beat NORGABIE (same terms) a neck in the Wokingham runs from a better *draw* (3) and although her trainer says 'she wants the dust' she has won on the soft at Newbury and *can reverse the form from her low stall.* Peter Easterby's GOLDEN ANCONA is held by GLENCROFT on recent York running, only 1lb better off for a 2l defeat, but will be hoping to emulate stablemate Able Albert who is the only horse to have won from a high draw (29) in the last decade. DAWNS DELIGHT is suited by trip and going and has the visors fitted. PREMIER LAD whose three career wins have been over 6f, ran well at Doncaster (7f) last time when 1l 2nd to Vanroy. CHAPLINS CLUB is harshly handicapped following 7 wins this season. *ONE MAN BAND is better suited to 6f than the 7f he* encountered at Doncaster last time when 3rd to Ottergayle. *DORKING LAD* needs top be held up, won't be inconvenienced by his middle draw, and goes well over 6f with some cut in the ground. Confirmed mud lark DUCK FLIGHT would enter calculations if there was any more rain. Course and distance winner RESTORE beat CHAPLINS CLUB (5lb worse off) on good to soft at Goodwood on *penultimate start and is a lot more consistent this* season. GERSHWIN picks up a 5lb penalty for a neck win from Valley Mills at Pontefract last time, but best of the light weights could be SUPREME ROSE who *made ground very easily, but found 5f too short, at* Newmarket last time. That run showed she retains the sort of ability that saw her win at Sandown last term. Visors are fitted for the first time.

Selection: POWDER BLUE

4.10 WEIR MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £5,173: 1m 2f) (16 runners) C4

2	(15)	0-131	SKY LOVE 17 (D,F,G) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 9-7	A Clark	90
6	(2)	22-1314	WHITE SAPPHIRE 13 (D,BF,F,S) (A Bottomley) Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-0	K Fallon (3)	94
10	(7)	0-24532	FARAYAR 48 (Aga Khan) R Johnson Houghton 8-11	K Darley	88
11	(3)	10-0030	CASPIAN MIST 13 (C,S) (P Nabavi) R Hutchinson 8-8	G Duffield	90
12	(8)	005310	UGANDAN AFFAIRS 50 (D,S) (P Dyson) P Makin 8-6	R Cochrane	87
13	(14)	323010	MARK AIZLEWOOD 9 (D,F,G) (T Charlesworth) R Whitaker 8-5	W Ryan	93
14	(12)	4-160	GAASID 9 (F) (Sheikh Ahmed Al-Maktoum) M Jarvis 8-5	M Birch	92
15	(1)	431402	STORADA 20 (D,G) (F Sehadi) P Cole 8-3	G Baxter	98
16	(6)	50-1060	COQUILLAGE 18 (B,C,G,S) (Mrs J Yarnold) C Nelson 8-0	S Whitworth	93
17	(11)	300163	WHIPP'S CROSS 44 (D,F) (Sir Philip Oppenheimer) G Wragg 8-0	Paul Eddery	95
18	(13)	261002	QUEENS TOUR 4 (CD,G,S) (I Bell) M Brittain 7-12	A Munro (5)	97
19	(9)	211502	OWN FREE WILL 13 (C,D,G,S) (Mrs J Ramsden) Mrs J Ramsden 7-9	M Fry	● 99
20	(4)	16-5000	DOMINION TREASURE 41 (G) (Mrs C Pateras) C Brittain 7-8	J Quinn (5)	84
21	(5)	000400	DRAG ARTIST 62 (C,G,S) (G Wilde) M Brittain 7-7	J Lowe	87
22	(10)	010544	PARISIAN DANCER 7 (V,CD,F) (P Savill) M H Easterby 7-7	G Bardwell (3)	95
23	(16)	341200	MY RATBAG 18 (CD,S) (Mrs Pam Shaw) J S Wilson 7-7	S Wood (5)	80

Long handicap: Drag Artist 7-3, Parisian Dancer 7-1, My Ratbag 6-5.

BETTING: 5-2 Own Free Will, 9-2 Sky Love, 6-1 Faraytar, 8-1 Gaasid, 10-1 Whipp's Cross, 12-1 Caspian Mist, 14-1 Queens Tour, White Sapphire, 16-1 others.

1987: ALBACORE 9-7 R Hills (6-4 fav) W Hern 8 ran

FORM QUEENS TOUR comes from a stable *that is running back into form after a* mid-season lull and must go close if reproducing a short head 2nd (the pair well clear) to Macho Man on the soft at Hamilton last time. OWN FREE WILL is another guaranteed to act with some cut in the ground and was beaten a head by subsequent listed race winner Per Quod at Haydock last time (1m 2f, heavy). Top weight SKY LOVE was ridden out for a neck win from Smart Performer in a Ripon *graduation event.* WHITE SAPPHIRE beat MARK AIZLEWOOD ¾l in a Redcar handicap on penultimate start and should confirm the form on 2lb better terms. STORADA came back to his best form when 2l 2nd to Sabatina at Goodwood (1m 2f) last time.

Selection: QUEENS TOUR

4.40 KEITH ASPLAND MEMORIAL EBF STAKES (£3,402: 1m 5f) (9 runners)

2	(3)	14/0-	SHELBOURNE 279J (S) (A Dawson) J Haldane 6-9-1	K Darley	—
4	(5)	0-2120	HARREEK 111 (BF,G) (F Salman) P Cole 3-8-9	R Cochrane	94
5	(7)	600051	ORDER PAPER 25 (S) (J Wilson) J S Wilson 3-8-5	Dean McKeown	67
10	(4)	52521	PAPAIA 18 (G) (Sallyview Ltd) H Cecil 3-8-2	W Ryan	96
11	(6)	'551	PLEASE KENNEH 20 (G) (M Suhail) B Hanbury 3-8-2	M Birch	● 99
13	(8)	54/0000	NORTH LAKE 18 (B) (Countess of Lonsdale) R Whitaker 5-8-1	M Fry	—
15	(9)	0-22032	REGAL REFORM 16 (R Wheeler) G Moore 5-8-1	R Fox	95
17	(2)	60/3633-	DAFFODIL 183J (T Sinter) Mrs S Oliver 4-7-12	J Quinn (5)	77
18	(1)	4036	OXALIS 13 (J Wright) G Huffer 4-7-12	G Bardwell (3)	92

BETTING: 7-4 Papaia, 3-1 Please Kenneh, 7-2 Harreek, 6-1 Regal Reform, 8-1 Oxalis, 14-1 Order Paper, 16-1 others.

1987: JINXY JACK 3-8-5 D Nicholls (4-6 fav) R Fisher 8 ran

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
R J Houghton	3	6	50.0	A Shoults	8	27	29.6
H Cecil	3	7	42.9	M Birch	24	106	22.6
B Hills	7	19	36.8	W Ryan	4	22	18.2
G Huffer	3	9	33.3	G Duffield	19	108	17.6
M Jefferson	4	12	33.3	K Darley	14	81	17.3
G Harwood	5	16	31.3	A Culhane	3	19	15.8

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NEWBURY

Selections

By Mandarin

2.10 Down The Valley.
2.40 Lady Of Shalott.
3.10 Moonfish.
3.40 Aljood.
4.10 Princess Athena.
4.40 Gilderdale.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.10 Ninja.
2.40 Ibrah.
3.10 Demawend.
3.40 Aljood.
4.10 Margub.
4.40 Buckra Mellisuga.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.40 Aljood.

Going: good to firm **Draw: no advantage**

2.10 FAIRHURST NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £5,220: 7f 60yd) (13 runners)

101	(2)	10	CARDINAL SIN 94 (C,G) (Mrs J Corbett) B Hills 9-7	M Hills	85
105	(12)	315	RACING HOME 55 (S) (Capt. M Lemos) C Brittain 9-0	M Roberts	92
106	(11)	21300	VAIGRANT WIND 13 (F) (P Boggis) C Nelson 8-12	F Norton (7)	82
107	(1)	063	NINJA 28 (H Mould) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-12	Pat Eddery	89
108	(4)	615	SELDOM BLUE 18 (D,F) (Miss E Frahm) N Vigors 8-11	P Cook	92
109	(6)	52620	BROWN PEPPER 28 (W Brown) P Mitchell 8-10	S O'Gorman (7)	93
113	(7)	00412	DOWN THE VALLEY 18 (D,F) (R Shannon) R Hannon 8-5	W Carson	93
115	(13)	04330	EARLY BREEZE 13 (N Gill) M McCourt 8-4	A Tucker (7)	93
116	(5)	235	SKAZKA 18 (P Mellon) I Balding 8-4	M Marshall (7)	● 99
117	(8)	053	ECCOLINA 41 (Mrs H Heinz) J Dunlop 8-4	B Rouse	87
118	(9)	020	ELEGANT ROSE 20 (E Badger) W Musson 7-12	R Hills	84
119	(10)	45006	FORMIDARE 32 (A Speyer) S Dow 7-7	T Williams	87
120	(3)	0306	DI BRAVURA 23 (A Lansley) W Wightman 7-7	Dale Gibson (5)	90

Long handicap: Formidare: 7-6, Di Bravura 7-6.

BETTING: 7-2 Down The Valley, 4-1 Racing Home, 5-1 Ninja, 13-2 Seldom Blue, 7-1 Cardinal Sin, 10-1 Skazka, 12-1 Elegant Rose, 14-1 Vagrant Wind, 16-1 others.

1987: GET THE MONEY DOWN 8-5 C Rutter (10-1) M Fetherston-Godley 10 ran

2.40 MAIL ON SUNDAY THREE YEAR OLD SERIES HANDICAP (3-Y-O fillies: £4,357: 1m 2f) (11 runners) BBC 2

205	(10)	4-3515	SLEEPING BEAUTY 28 (G) (C,BF) (The Queen) I Balding 9-7	T Ives	91
206	(7)	433011	ZERZAYA 7 (D,F) (HH Aga Khan) R Johnson Houghton 9-7 (6ex)	J Reid	98
207	(1)	021210	FAST CHICK 17 (D,BF,F) (Duke of Marlborough) J Dunlop 9-6	W Carson	96
208	(6)	013602	CONSTANT COMPANION 25 (F) (I Allan) C Wall 9-4	Pat Eddery	98
213	(3)	1-50030	RAVE REVIEW 20 (BF,F) (Mrs C Gross) H Candy 9-1	W Newnes	97
214	(5)	302	IBRAH 37 (BF) (H Al-Maktoum) A Stewart 9-1	M Roberts	96
218	(8)	554-004	ART DUO 23 (W Gredley) C Brittain 8-8	B Rouse	● 99
219	(2)	002160	SUMMER FASHION 14 (BF,S) (Dr D Davis) D Elsworth 8-6	S Dawson	94
220	(4)	540261	STRIDE HOME 18 (B,C,D,F,S) (E Jameson) P Cole 8-5	C Rutter	94
222	(11)	000	ANIMAL ACTOR 59 (M Culling) R Akehurst 7-12	T Williams	—
223	(9)	4-66003	LADY OF SHALOTT 7 (J Horgan) R Hannon 7-10	G Hills (7)	96

BETTING: 7-2 Zerzaya, 9-2 Sleeping Beauty, 5-1 Constant Companion, 13-2 Fast Chick, 7-1 Lady Of Shalott, 9-1 Ibrah, 10-1 Stride Home, 14-1 Rave Review, Art Duo, Summer Fashion, 25-1 Animal Actor.

1987 LISIANTHUS 3-9-6 Pat Eddery (7-2 jt-fav) J Toller 10 ran

FORM ZERZAYA bids for a treble after easy wins in handicaps at Leicester and Goodwood, (beat Firelight Fiesta 3l), over today's trip. Acts on any going and sure to perform well despite a 6lb penalty. SLEEPING BEAUTY landed maiden over 1m here on her penultimate start. However proved a disappointing favourite behind Darnelle at Sandown later when tackling an extra furlong. FAST CHICK beat Blissful Kingdom (rec 5lb) 1l at Lingfield (1m 2f) last month, but ran poorly behind Sutosky at Epsom last time and will not appreciate any cut. SUMMER FASHION beat Pengo 4l at Bath (1m 6yd) back in July, *but has run below* par since and may appreciate the extra distance here.

Selection: ZERZAYA

3.10 HAYNES, HANSON AND CLARK GRADUATION STAKES (2-Y-0 colts and geldings: £7,306: 1m) (11 runners) BBC 2

301	(8)		AFWAJ (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-11	W Carson	—
305	(3)	0	BAY MOUNTAIN 13 (D Kirk) G Lewis 8-11	G Starkey	—
307	(10)	0	BELPENEL 34 (W Said) B Hills 8-11	M Hills	—
308	(1)		DEMAWEND (Aga Khan) M Stoute 8-11	W R Swinburn	—
309	(5)	3	DOMINICUS 28 (W Gredley) C Brittain 8-11	M Roberts	● 99
314	(6)		MOONFISH (K Abdulla) J Tree 8-11	Pat Eddery	—
316	(7)	0	NACONA 27 (A Budge (Equine) Ltd) R Hannon 8-11	A McGlone	—
317	(2)	0	PARKBHRIDE 80 (A Kinghorn) C Horgan 8-11	P Cook	—
320	(11)	0	SAYMORE 76 (Mrs M Francis) M Francis 8-11	J Reid	—
322	(9)	0	SONEETO 69 (Mrs R Tennant) R Hannon 8-11	B Rouse	90
323	(4)	3	STAR SHAREEF 85 (Mrs V Gaucci del Bono) J Dunlop 8-11	B Raymond	85

BETTING: 9-4 Demawend, 3-1 Afwaj, 5-1 Dominicus, 6-1 Star Shareef, 13-2 Moonfish, 14-1 Soneeto, 16-1 Belpenel, 20-1 others.

1987 UNFUWAIN 8-11 W Carson (13-8 fav) W Hern 15 ran

FORM DEMAWEND, by Mill Reef, is fancied to just have the edge over DOMINICUS. Michael Stoute's juveniles are normally fit enough to do themselves justice first time out and the yard has an excellent September record with youngsters who have been given a summer to mature. DOMINICUS looks much the best of those who have seen a racecourse. He stayed on well to finish 2l 3rd to Sapience at Chester (7f) after running somewhat green early in the race. He should appreciate the extra furlong here. BELPENEL faded 2f out when unplaced behind Nashwan in a maiden event here last month, but shaped as though some *improvement* may be expected. STAR SHAREEF was slowly away on his debut, but finished only ¾l adrift of the winner Zalazl and could go close. SONEETO looks the better of Richard Hannon's two contenders.

Selection: DEMAWEND

3.40 JOCK COLLIER MEMORIAL GRADUATION STAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £8,506: 7f) (20 runners) BBC 2

401	(16)		ALJOOD (M Al Maktoum) M Stoute 8-8	W R Swinburn	—
404	(7)	3022	COLLAGE 31 (BF) (Hesmonds Stud) R Laing 8-8	T Williams	—
407	(14)		FRESCO (Lord Rotherwick) N Graham 8-8	B Proctor	—
408	(9)		GHASSANAH (Sheikh A Dahlawi) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-8	W Hood	—
409	(11)		GREAT AIM (G Comben) D Elsworth 8-8	S Dawson	—
411	(3)		HALIGI (R Sangster) B Hills 8-8	M Hills	—
414	(6)	0	HIT THE HIGH SPOTS 21 (Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk) J Dunlop 8-8	B Rouse	—
416	(13)		INDIVISIBLE (Mrs A Mutch) R Hollinshead 8-8	—	—
417	(10)		INVITE (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 8-8	W Newnes	—
421	(8)		KTOLO (P Hodgson) A Stewart 8-8	M Roberts	—
422	(20)		LOW DALBY (A Gibson) J Toller 8-8	R Hills	—
423	(17)		LUCKY SPIN (P Mellon) I Balding 8-8	P Cook	—
424	(1)	0	PERISTYLE 35 (D Clarke) I Balding 8-8	M Marshall (7)	—
426	(15)		PRINCESS SOBIESKA (Mrs D Riley-Smith) J Dunlop 8-8	G Starkey	—
427	(2)		RIPTIDE (P Mellon) I Balding 8-8	T Ives	—
428	(4)		RIVER DOVE (K Abdulla) J Tree 8-8	S Raymont	—
429	(19)		SAMAZA (K Abdulla) J Tree 8-8	Pat Eddery	—
433	(12)		SHIP OF GOLD (Sir Michael Sobell) N A Graham 8-8	W Carson	—
436	(5)	6	STEFFI 21 (J Greetham) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-8	J Reid	—
438	(18)		SUPREME HEIGHTS (Capt. M Lemos) C Brittain 8-8	B Raymond	—

BETTING: 7-2 Ship of Gold, 4-1 Aljood, 9-2 Samaza, 13-2 Riptide, 9-1 Haliji, 10-1 Invite, 12-1 Collage, 14-1 Steffi, Supreme Heights, Ktolo, Fresco, 16-1 others.

1987: ANDALEEB 8-8 Pat Eddery (10-1) J Tree 27ran

FORM Michael Stoute can saddle a double with the 400,000gns Kris filly ALJOOD looking to have every chance here, particularly as the raced contenders make little appeal. COLLAGE *ran fair races* on her latest two starts, notably when a neck 2nd to Sure Gold at Lingfield (6f) last month. However, while experience may tell, she does look exposed. HIT THE HIGH SPOTS looked pitched in at the deep end when 16th *of 29 behind Lady Shipley in a hot Newmarket* maiden (7f) and she should fair better in this company. KTOLO - by Tolemo out of French winner Miss Kate - is from a yard not noted for its juvenile performers, but is interesting debutante nontheless. The Shirley Heights filly FRESCO is the more fancied of the Neil Graham contenders.

Selection: ALJOOD

4.10 MARLBOROUGH STAKES (3-Y-O: £4,674: 5f) (7 runners) BBC 2

501	(5)	12214-6	CLASSIC RULER 13 (D,F,G) (A Al Jafleh) C Nelson 9-0	J Reid	81
504	(3)	022342	PRINCESS ATHENA 9 (D,G,S) (R Richards) D Elsworth 8-11	W Carson	● 99
506	(1)	124-	MARGUB 415 (F) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 8-9	M Roberts	82
509	(7)	340212	YOUNG HAL 21 (F,G) (Mrs R Waters) P Walwyn 8-9	Pat Eddery	98
510	(6)	000516	ANNACERAMIC 9 (V,D,G,S) (D Gill) R Whitaker 8-6	P Cook	80
511	(2)	4-45100	BREAKAWAY 9 (B,D,F,G,S) (Mrs P Yong) J Etherington 8-6	B Raymond	79
512	(4)	2-50040	LIVELY PEBBLES 16 (B,CD,G) (A Smith) R Johnson Houghton 8-6	W R Swinburn	81

BETTING: 11-8 Young Hal, 13-8 Princess Athena, 8-1 Classic Ruler, 10-1 Annaceramic, 14-1 Margub, 16-1 Lively Pebbles, 20-1 Breakaway.

1987: MOORESTYLE GIRL 8-6 Pat Eddery (11-8 fav) L Piggott 9ran

FORM PRINCESS ATHENA is ideally suited by the minimum trip and clearly has every chance on her form to date. The admirably genuine filly has made the frame in a number of *valuable events, including the King George Stakes* at Goodwood when just over 1l 3rd to Silver Fling. she relies on an *excellent early speed* which may prove telling here. YOUNG HAL finished a short head behind Point Of Light at Newmarket (6f) last time and with strong handling can go equally as close here. Last year's Molecomb winner CLASSIC RULER looked in need of the run on his reappearance at Phoenix Park (5f) last time when over 10l last behind Heather Seeker. The useful juvenile MARGUB makes his seasonal reappearance here, but may find this trip a bit on the short side. ANNACERAMIC has faced some stiffish tasks this season, but has shown flashes of ability as when winning a Thirsk Stakes race (6f) by a neck from Light Your Fire on her penultimate start.

Selection: PRINCESS ATHENA

4.40 SEPTEMBER HANDICAP (£4,662: 7f 60yd) (13 runners)

601	(10)	420416	GILDERDALE 22 (D,F,G) (J Hobhouse) N Vigors 6-9-10	P Cook	96
602	(12)	311220	PINCTADA 50 (D,G,S) (T Ramsden) R Simpson 6-9-7	M Gallagher (7)	93
603	(6)	400340	PICK OF THE PACK 16 (D,F,G) (Lord McAlpine) P Cundell 4-9-7	M Marshall (7)	● 99
605	(2)	051033	HYMN OF HARLECH 21 (B,F,G) (T Bullimore) D Elsworth 5-9-5	W Carson	95
607	(5)	01	RED PADDY 21 (D,G) (R Dilley) P Makin 3-9-1	M Roberts	85
609	(3)	0-40234	BUCKRA MELLISUGA 6 (Abigail Limited) J Toller 4-8-13	W Newnes	97
612	(13)	230110	JOIE DE ROSE 14 (D,F,S) (A Hall) M Blanshard 3-8-10	A Riding (7)	93
613	(9)	641345	RED RIVER BOY 45 (D,F,G,S) (J Mursell) R Hodges 5-8-9	I Johnson	88
616	(1)	5-41110	TAKENHALL 9 (C,G) (C Pearman) M Fetherston-Godley 3-8-8	J Reid	94
617	(11)	43-504	DURZI 20 (K Abdulla) J Tree 3-8-7	Pat Eddery	94
623	(7)	536220	LAUGHING HOME 3 (BF) (Miss A Rawding) R Akehurst 3-8-0	—	93
627	(4)	004-142	COLDWATER CANYON 62 (D,G) (H Simmonds) P Cundell 4-7-9	T Williams	95
630	(8)	025105	AFRICAN SAFARI 3 (D,F,G) (Lord Carrick) P Cundell 4-7-7	S Dawson	95

BETTING: 4-1 Red Paddy, 5-1 Red River Boy, 7-1 Takenhall, 8-1 Joie de Rose, 10-1 Coldwater Canyon, Gilderdale, Pinctada, Buckra Mellisuga, 12-1 African Safari, Hymn of Harlech, Durzi, 14-1 others.

1987: SINGLE 5-9-10 Pat Eddery (3-1 fav) W Wightman 10 ran

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
M Stoute	19	77	24.7	Pat Eddery	39	192	20.3
J Tree	16	108	14.8	W Carson	34	235	14.5
C Brittain	13	101	12.9	W R Swinburn	19	132	14.4
G P-Gordon	4	32	12.5	B Raymond	5	36	13.9
B Hills	15	139	10.8	T Ives	16	116	13.8
P Cole	13	125	10.4	M Roberts	8	62	12.9

CRICKET: A ZIMBABWEAN OF RARE QUALITY CARRIES WORCESTERSHIRE TO THE BRINK OF TITLE

Hick's 197 bears the stamp of champions

By John Woodcock

WORCESTER: Worcestershire, with four first-innings wickets in hand, are 136 runs ahead of Glamorgan

Another majestic innings by Graeme Hick has made it virtually certain that Worcestershire will be the county champions of 1988. With Kent carrying all before them at Canterbury, it became vital to Worcestershire that they gained all four bonus points for batting against Glamorgan yesterday, and Hick's 197 enabled them to do so, with 17 balls to spare.

With Maynard on a stick, after being hit while batting on Wednesday, and Glamorgan now 136 runs behind, something astonishing will have to happen, or the weather will need to intervene, if Worcestershire are not to clear their final hurdle by tomorrow night.

Yesterday the sun shone, quite warmly, on the young Zimbabwean, whose batting, temperamentally no less than technically, was of a rare quality. Had he failed, Worcestershire would have been pushed to get two bonus points, let alone four.

Hick's was his fourteenth first-class hundred of 1988 and his tenth for Worcestershire. In his 177 first-class innings he has reached three figures 34 times, and he is still only 22. The ball moved about too much and bounced too unevenly for Hick's to be a flawless innings

Glamorgan, in fact, had a thoroughly unlucky morning. But not until he was 168 did Hick give a clear-cut chance, and that was a difficult swirling one to slip. That the runs which took Worcestershire past 300 were also off the edge did nothing to lesson the cheers that greeted them. Hick at the time was 181.

The other most telling contributions to the Worcestershire effort came from Lord and Neale. A stolid left-hander, Lord was the first to get the innings moving. Curtis had lost his off stump to Thomas in the seventh over of the day, an early indication that Worcestershire could take nothing for granted. Neale, for his part, came in when Lord and Leatherdale had been out in quick succession, at 110 for three, and Worcestershire still had a lot left to do.

He took some of the pressure off Hick, not with the runs he scored but simply by staying there. Of the first 60 they added together, Neale made four; when their partnership was worth 100 he was 17. Four or five years ago he was being mooted as an England captain. The game has moved now into other hands, but Worcestershire owe him a considerable debt.

By the time Neale was out, at 253 in the 82nd over, the tension had lifted. Cann had been pressed into service to bowl some off-breaks — Glamorgan were without a regular spinner — and off one of them Neale was caught at backward short leg. Although Weston pulled another, a long hop, to deep square leg, the rest was mostly more of the mastery of Hick. When, eventually, he crashed a long hop low to mid-wicket he had hit 29 fours and scored more runs in a season (2,703) than any Worcestershire player before him.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings 244 (M P Maynard 69; N V Radford 4 for 84).

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

T S Curtis b Thomas	8
G J Lord b Derrick	42
G A Hick c sub b Thomas	197
D A Leatherdale c Metson b Bastien	4
*P A Neale c Roebuck b Cann	29
M J Weston c Bastien b Cann	2
†S J Rhodes not out	45
P J Newport not out	25
Extras (b 5, lb 15, w 2, nb 6)	28
Total (6 wkts)	380

N V Radford, R K Illingworth and G R Dilley to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-101, 3-110, 4-253, 5-263, 6-342.

Score after 100 overs: 314-5.

Bonus points: Worcestershire 8, Glamorgan 4.

Umpires: B Dudleston and B Leadbeater.

Marks keeps his side in the game

TAUNTON: Somerset, with nine second innings wickets in hand, are 27 runs behind Gloucestershire.

Other than attempts by Gloucestershire members to seek support for their petition to have David Graveney reinstated as captain, the day was dominated by the bat in the morning and the ball in the afternoon.

Andy Stovold made his second century of the season and Vic Marks checked Gloucestershire's progress by taking seven wickets.

On a turning pitch, Stovold and Wright put on 180 in just over three hours, which was Gloucestershire's highest opening partnership of the summer. Stovold batted in all for 227 minutes, hitting 15 fours. Marks, bowling from the old pavilion end, ultimately removed him, taking four for 20 in this particular spell.

Bainbridge made a half-century but there was little other resistance. Marks bowling 50 overs in all and returning his best figures of the season, seven for 118. Gloucestershire gained a first innings lead of 58, reduced to 27 by the close.

SOMERSET: First Innings 277 (R J Harden 78, N D Burns 56, V J Marks 50).

Second Innings

J J E Hardy b Lloyds	10
N A Felton not out	20
M W Cleal not out 1	
Extras	0
Total (1 wkt)	31

J G Wyatt, R J Bartlett, R J Harden, †N D Burns, *V J Marks, G D Rose, H R J Trump and D J Foster to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-25.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

A W Stovold c Hardy b Marks	133
A J Wright lbw b Marks	52
P W Romaines c Hardy b Marks	7
P Bainbridge c Burns b Trump	57
K M Curran c Hardy b Marks	1
J W Lloyds c Rose b Marks	
K B K Ibadulla c Burns b Trump	9
†R C Russell c sub b Marks	
D V Lawrence run out	16
*D A Graveney not out	14
T M Alderman c Burns b Marks	5
Extras (b 5, lb 9, nb 4)	18
Total	335

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-180, 2-200, 3-211, 4-217, 5-285, 6-289, 7-292, 8-311, 9-328.

BOWLING: Rose 15-3-43-0; Foster 6-1-34-0; Marks 50.2-14-118-7; Trump 39-10-96-2; Cleal 7-0-30-0.

Score after 100 overs: 292-7.

Bonus points: Somerset 6, Gloucestershire 7.

Umpires: J W Holder and R A White.

Disgruntled members

A group of Gloucestershire members, incensed at the dismissal of David Graveney from the captaincy, has launched a petition seeking the resignation of the cricket committee (Ivo Tennant writes). The constitution of the club states that if 50 signatures of members are gathered, a special general meeting has to be convened.

This happened four years ago when Graveney and the cricket committee, facing a motion of no confidence, were supported by the club's members. The petition is being organised by a member from Cheltenham, Mike Hammond.

Graveney, who was offered a two-year contract after a meeting of the management committee on Wednesday night, said yesterday that he would not be making any decision on his own future until the new year. "I am very upset that Gloucestershire seem to be attacking themselves in a frenzied way," he said.

Graveney said his father, Ken, and his uncle, Tom, had not yet cut their ties with the club. His own position will be discussed further at meetings of Gloucestershire's management committee and council on October 10.

As a result of his dismissal Carphone International have withdrawn from negotiations with the club over possible sponsorship. The club's major sponsors, Duraflex, withdrew support on Wednesday.

PETANQUE

Trio hope to boost form

On the eve of flying to Genoa for the 24th world men's championships, Britain's No. 1 team is competing in the Piat D'Or British Open finals in Leatherhead tomorrow under their club name, Rochester Upon Medway (Peter Tatlow writes). The trio, Phil Bradshaw, Matt Blyton and Bruno Bove, will be hoping to improve on their recent uninspired form.

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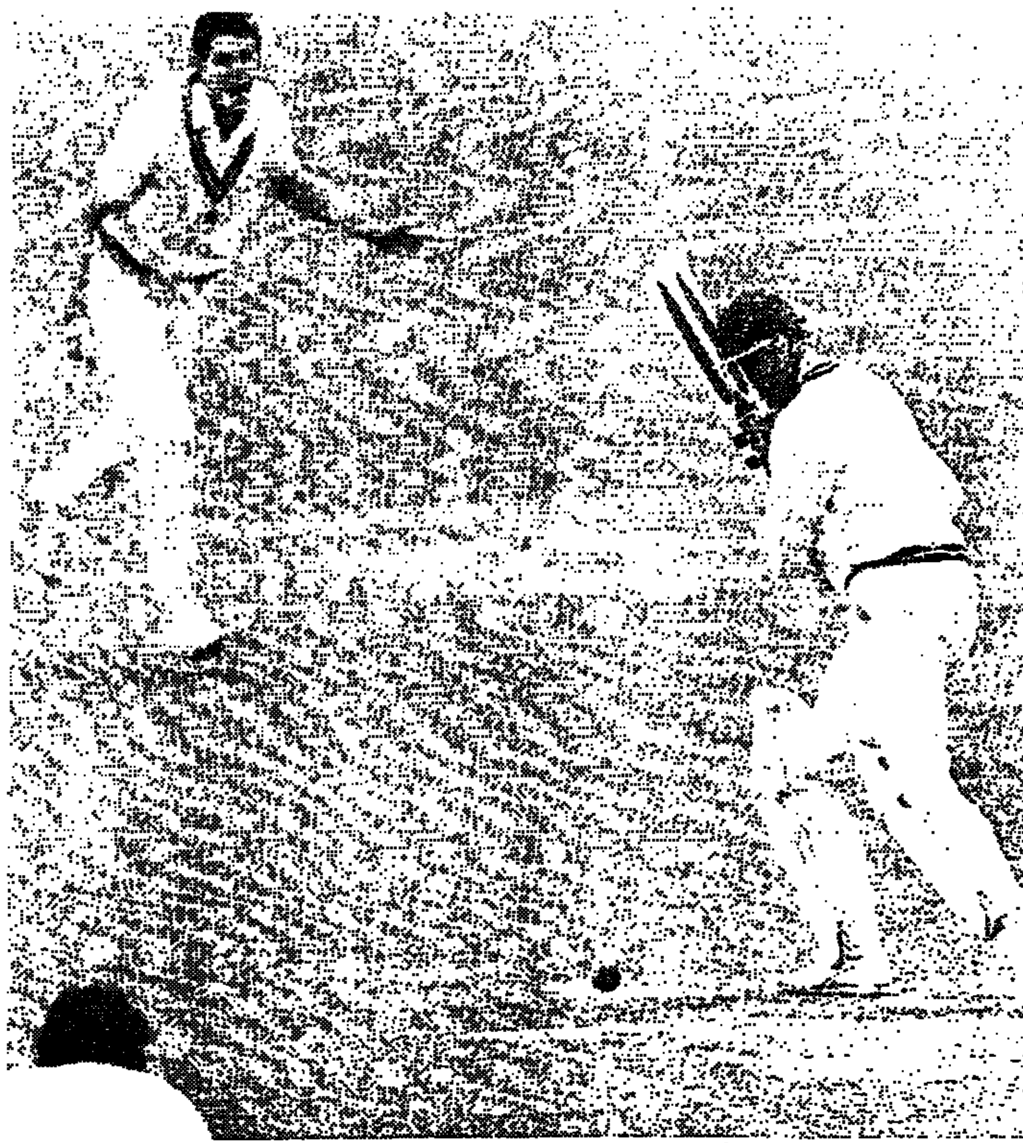

Bailing out: Darren Bicknell, of Surrey, is bowled by Igglesden, of Kent. Report, page 46 (Photograph: Chris Barry)

Essex batsmen struggle to keep title hopes kindled

By Jack Bailey

CHELMSFORD: Essex, with five first-innings wickets in hand, are 141 runs behind Northamptonshire

Essex are up against it. They peered dimly and played bravely through the gloom of yesterday afternoon in an attempt to regain lost ground in the race for the championship, yet for all the endeavour of their first five batmen, none of them was able quite to build on promising beginnings, although all laid firm foundations. With half the side gone for 199 in 64 overs, they have much leeway to haul in before they can start to gain any sort of ascendancy over Northamptonshire.

It must also be said that the visitors are doing more than simply hold on. Their play has been alive with determination. Nowhere has this been more clearly personified than in the performances of two of their least robust players: Dennis Lillee, aged 39 but raring to go in his last match for the county, and Nick Cook.

Lillee tested every sinew in the course of his 20 overs. He took three good wickets and beat the bat on numerous occasions. He was also in good voice. Cook, broken thumb or not, played his part. While Northamptonshire added 39 precious runs to their overnight score, hebowled 25 overs at just over a run a piece and took the precious wickets of Stephenson and Waugh when both were going especially well.

Stephenson's was a strange dismissal. He drove a low skimmer to mid-on where Robinson bent and scooped. For some time everyone went through the motions as though nothing particular had happened. Then it transpired that both Robinson and the umpire thought a fair catch had been made and Stephenson, all be it reluctantly, was on his way.

By this time Gooch had sparred once too often at Lillee. The Essex Lilley held the fort well for nearly three hours until succumbing to a ball of full length. Waugh and Prichard also played staunchly, but all too briefly before near darkness drove the players from the field.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

*G Cook b Foster	3
A Fordham c East b Stephenson	34
R J Bailey c East b Childs	15
A J Lamb b Childs	155
D J Capel lbw b Foster	10
R G Williams b Childs	28
D J Wild c Gooch b Pringle	45
†D Ripley c East b Foster	9
D K Lillee c Gooch b Pringle	2
M Robinson not out	19
N G B Cook b Foster	3
Extras (lb 8, nb 8)	15
Total	340

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-37, 3-69, 4-113, 5-200, 6-295, 7-310, 8-312, 9-325.

BOWLING: Foster 33.4-4-106-4; Pringle 22-3-69-2; Childs 31-14-55-3; Gooch 5-1-18-0; Stephenson 7-0-27-1; Miller 16-1-57-0.

Score after 100 overs: 306-6.

ESSEX: First Innings

*G A Gooch c Ripley b Lillee	35
J P Stephenson c Robinson b N G B Cook	32
A W Lilley lbw b Lillee	48
M E Waugh b N G B Cook	35
P J Prichard b Lillee	27
N Hussain not out	12
D R Pringle not out	0
Extras (b 4, lb 8, nb 2)	14
Total (5 wkts, 64 overs)	199

G Miller, †D E East, N A Foster and J H Childs to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-55, 2-89, 3-131, 4-193, 5-198.

Bonus points: Essex 3, Northamptonshire 6.

Umpires: R Palmer and D G L Evans.

Celebration for Stephenson

By Geoffrey Wheeler

Franklyn Stephenson, who inherited a mammoth assignment when **Nottinghamshire** chose him as their replacement for Hadlee and Rice, celebrated in style at Trent Bridge yesterday after learning that he had won the prestigious Britannic Assurance "player of the year" award.

By taking three more **Yorkshire** wickets he brought his tally for the season to 118 — the highest total by a Nottinghamshire player since 1960.

Then, when Nottinghamshire had lost four wickets for 101 replying to their opponents' 380, the Barbadian all-rounder made a rapid, unbeaten 96, with a six and 16 fours, his highest innings for the county, and one which took him past 800 runs for the season. Truly an inspired signing.

Bairstow, the Yorkshire wicketkeeper, completed a unique county double, when he caught Johnson off Sidebottom. He now has 1,000 dismissals to his credit as well as over 10,000 runs.

Graeme Fowler, who has had an indifferent season, made only his second century of the year as Lancashire enjoyed a prosperous day at Derby. They captured the last six Derbyshire wickets for 62 and finished at 264 for three in reply to 373. Fowler (136) and Hayhurst (80) having so far added 198 for the fourth wicket.

YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Notts v Yorkshire

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire, with five first-innings wickets in hand, are 124 runs behind Yorkshire

YORKSHIRE: First Innings

M D Moxon c Broad b Cooper	68
A A Metcalfe c Johnson b Evans	74
D Byas c French b Saxelby	26
P E Robinson c Robinson b Evans	98
J D Love b Stephenson	6
†D L Bairstow run out	26
*P Carrick b Stephenson	0
A Sidebottom c Saxelby b Stephenson	41
P J Hartley c Newell b Stephenson	7
P A Booth not out	15
S D Fletcher c French b Evans	1
Extras (lb 14, nb 4)	18
Total	380

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-123, 2-165, 3-178, 4-193, 5-282, 6-282, 7-341, 8-345, 9-363.

BOWLING: Stephenson 37-7-105-4; Cooper 22-5-70-1; Saxelby 15-1-69-1; Evans 18.1-2-62-3; Hemmings 29-8-60-0.

Score after 100 overs: 305-6.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

B C Broad lbw b Sidebottom	35
*R T Robinson c Moxon b Sidebottom	10
M Newell b Sidebottom	11
P Johnson c Bairstow b Stephenson	59
D W Randall c and b Carrick	7
F D Stephenson not out	96
K P Evans not out	30
Extras (lb 2, w 2, nb 4)	8
Total (5 wkts, 67 overs)	256

†B N French, E E Hemmings, K E Cooper and K Saxelby to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-39, 2-59, 3-81, 4-106, 5-166.

Bonus points: Nottinghamshire 5, Yorkshire 6.

Umpires: J C Balderstone and B Hassan.

Hampshire v Sussex

SOUTHAMPTON: Sussex, with nine second innings wickets in hand, are 79 runs ahead of Hampshire

SUSSEX: First Innings 278 (C M Wells 92; K D James 4 for 70).

Second Innings

†P Moores b Maru	9
M P Speight not out	13
*P W G Parker not out	0
Extras (lb 1)	1
Total (1 wkt)	23

A M Green, A P Wells, I J Gould, C M Wells, A C S Pigott, †P Moores, A R Clarke, R A Bunting and A M Babington to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-19.

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

V P Terry b Green	25
C L Smith st Moores b Green	59
*M C J Nicholas c Moores b Green	31
R A Smith lbw b Clarke	41
R J Scott b Clarke	7
J R Ayling c Gould b Green	9
K D James b Pigott	14
†R J Parks not out	22
R J Maru c Pigott b Green	0
C A Connor c A M Wells b Green	1
P J Bakker absent hurt	0
Extras (b 6, lb 4, nb 3)	13
Total	222

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-122, 3-131, 4-164, 5-181, 6-193, 7-213, 8-, 9-222.

BOWLING: Pigott 17-4-47-1; Babington 11-0-17-0; Green 45.5-16-82-6; Clarke 22-10-32-2; C M Wells 6-0-14-0; Bunting 6-0-20-0.

Score after 100 overs: 207-6.

Bonus points: Hampshire 6, Sussex 5.

Umpires: R Julian and K J Lyons.

Derbyshire v Lancs

DERBY: Lancashire, with seven first-innings wickets in hand, are 109 runs behind Derbyshire

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings

*K J Barnett c Lloyd b Folley	157
P D Bowler c Atherton b Hayhurst	23
†B J M Maher c Hegg b Watkinson	92
T J G O'Gorman c Fowler b Folley	8
S C Goldsmith c Fowler b Folley	5
B Roberts lbw b Hayhurst	27
R Sharma b Murphy	17
F A Griffith b Watkinson	1
M A Holding not out	30
S J Base b Murphy	0
D E Malcolm b Murphy	0
Extras (b 1, lb 6, nb 6)	13
Total	373

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-69, 2-242, 3-260, 4-272, 5-325, 6-325, 7-326, 8-369, 9-369.

BOWLING: Murphy 19.1-3-70-3; Watkinson 28-6-70-2; Hayhurst 19-4-56-2; Austin 20-7-41-0; Folley 31-9-103-3; Atherton 11-4-26-0.

Score after 100 overs: 307-4.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

G Fowler not out	139
G D Mendis b Malcolm	6
M A Atherton c Maher b Griffith	17
*N H Fairbrother b Griffiths	0
A N Hayhurst not out	80
Extras (b 4, lb 3, nb 15)	22
Total (3 wkts, 85 overs)	264

G D Lloyd, M Watkinson, †W K Hegg, I D Austin, I Folley and A J Murphy to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-66, 3-68.

Bonus points: Derbyshire 5, Lancashire 4.

Umpires: A A Jones and B J Meyer

Second XI championship

HOVE: Sussex 170 (J D Robinson 4 for 68) and 124 (J D Robinson 5 for 62); Surrey 263 (J D Robinson 51; I Salisbury 4 for 56) and 32 for no wkt. Surrey won by 10 wickets and win championship.

Australia dominated by Shoaib

From Richard Streeton
Karachi

Resolute batting by Shoaib Mohammad and Javed Miandad enabled Pakistan to build a strong position yesterday when the first Test match with Australia began here. They shared a third-wicket stand of 196 and at the close Pakistan were 227 for three.

Shoaib was out shortly before the close, six runs short of a hundred after a magnificient innings, but Miandad finished 95 not out. The pitch has already fulfilled predictions that the ball would turn freely from the start and it is hard to see Pakistan losing this match.

Reid, the left-arm fast bowler, gave Australia the start they needed after losing the toss by taking two early wickets. That, however, was the extent of their success for nearly five hours. Shoaib and Miandad remorselessly set about building a big total and the off spinners, on whom so much depended, were unable to break through.

Reid bowled Mudassar Nazar behind his legs with the second ball of the match, and in his fifth over he had Ramiz Raja splendidly caught by Healy as the wicketkeeper dived across first slip. In between, Reid saw Shoaib dropped by Taylor at third slip when he had scored eight.

After that, Shoaib did not make a mistake and he often looked more assured than Miandad. Drives, square cuts and leg-side nudges brought most of Shoaib's runs.

Shoaib had batted 64 overs and hit 15 fours when he was bowled by Waugh's fifth ball at the start of his second spell. He was deceived by a slower ball that cut back late.

Miandad is still feeling the effects of a pulled rib muscle he suffered in league cricket with Preston and occasionally it restricted his stroke-play. Early on, he was twice beaten by Reid outside the off stump and he once lifted an on-drive near a fieldsman. He also survived several leg-before appeals.

Miandad was at his most fluent against Taylor, who seldom turned the ball as much as May, who showed no ill-effects from a hand injury in a long afternoon spell.

Dodemaide bowled with tight control in three spells and he served the team well in the gruelling heat. A breeze reduced the temperature to the high eighties, but the humidity made it a relative relief.

PAKISTAN: First Innings

Mudassar Nazar b Reid	0
Rameez Raja c Healy b Reid	9
Shoaib Mohammad b Waugh	94
*Javed Miandad not out	95
Tauseef Ahmad not out	7
Extras (b 8, lb 10, nb 4)	22
Total (3 wkts)	227

Salim Malik, Ijaz Ahmed, †Saleem Yousuf, Abdul Qadir, Iqbal Qasim and Aamer Malik to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-21, 3-217.

BOWLING: Reid 20-3-60-2; Dodemaide 19-9-21-0; Waugh 9-1-25-1; May 17-4-41-0; Taylor 13-2-53-0; Border 2-1-9-0.

AUSTRALIA: G R Marsh, D C Boon, D M Jones, *A R Border, G M Wood, S R Waugh, †I A Healy, B A Reid, T B A May, A I C Dodemaide, P L Taylor.

Umpires: Mahboob Shah and Khizar Hayat.

RACING: RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S THREE MEETINGS

Ayr

Going: Good to soft

2.30 (1m 7f) 1, **BOURBON TOPSY** (Paul Eddery, 4-5 fav); 2, **Arcticflow** (A Clark, 85-40); 3, *Babil* (N Howe, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 66 Kirkman's Kamp (6th), Primula Again (5th), Reef Patrick (4th). 6 ran. 1l, 3l, ¾l, 7l, 10l. G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote: £1.80; £1.20, £1.10. DF: £1.80. CSF: £2.66. 3min 33.72sec.

3.0 (7f) 1, **LUCKY SONG** (L Dettori, 7-4 fav); 2, **Awayed**; (N Howe, 11-4); 3, **Boo Hoo** (M Beecroft, 100-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Halstead (4th), 14 Baby Talk, 16 Sweet On Willie, 20 Kashmiri Wind, Thimbalina (5th), 25 Two Moons, Waverley Heights, 33 Gypsy Pegs, Madonnah (6th), 100 Be Tender, Campfire, Far Dara, White Jasmin. 16 ran. 2½l, 3l, sh hd, ½l, nk. L Cumani at Newmarket. Tote £2.40; £1.10, £1.60, £11.30. DF: £3.60 CSF: £6.52. 1min 33.80sec.

3.30 (1m) 1, **TANODA** (A Munro, 10-1); 2, **Optimist** (R Lappin, 8-1); 3, **Just My Bill** (A Culhane, 14-1); 4, **Gushy** (B Raymond, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Sapience, 10 Seglawy, Comet, 11 Regent Light, 12 Fine Tudor (5th), 14 Apollo King, Coq du Nord (6th), 16 Havon Airco, 20 Ryan's Girl, Dale Park, 25 Shadeux, Come To Terms, 33 Polar Region, Tall Measure, Niklas Angel, Pansong, Sky Watcher.
21 ran. ½l, ¾l, 4l, 2½l, hd. M Brittain at Warthill. Tote: £14.00; £2.80, £1.80, £2.10, £2.10. DF: £28.40. CSF: £88.63. Tricast: £1,047.08. 1min 45.36sec.

4.0 (1m 5f) 1, **TANCRED SAND** (A Shoults, 11-4 fav; **Michael Seely's nap**); 2, **Hopping Around** (A Culhane, 10-1); 3, **Nashid** (Paul Eddery, 7-1); 4, **Stated Case** (M Birch, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 15-2 Pour Encourager, 10 Joseph, Magsood, 12 Harmonical, 16 Genobra, Greenhills Joy, 20 Choctaw, 25 Somebody, 33 Boulevard Girl (6th), 50 On Tenterhooks (5th), Tochala, Wessex, Galloway Raider, Minizen Lad, Alpha Helix. 19 ran. 1l, 2l, hd, nk, ¾l. M Jefferson at Malton. Tote: £2.70; places £1.10, £2.60, £2.00, £1.30. DF: £15.40. CSF: £28.82. Tricast: £160.97. 2min 58.15sec.

4.30 (5f) 1, **PETRILLIA** (M Hills, 6-1); 2, **That's The One** (N Day, 17-2); 3, **Almost Blue** (J Carroll, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 2 fav Madem Millie, 5-2 Wonder Dancer (4th), 16 Hinari Televideo (6th), 25 Sylvan Mistral (5th). 7 ran. 2l, hd, 2l, nk, 6l. B Hills at Manton. Tote: £7.20; £2.40, £2.40. DF: £23.90. CSF: £46.40. 1min 02.62sec.

5.0 (6f) 1, **UNCLE ERNIE** (M Hills, 14-1); 2, **Ned's Aura** (K Fallon, 17-2); 3, **Music Wood** (S Wood, 16-1); 4, **B Grade** (M Fry, 15-2 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 15-2 jt-favs Donovan Rose, Grimpsall, 8 Salax, 11 Lucy's Luck (6th), 14 Small Fee (5th), Pats Oracle, 16 Vagara, Ballerina Girl, Roxby Melody, 20 Happy Cavalier 25 Tzutun, 33 Calahonda Bay, Native River, Swell Romance, Lucky Straw, Alchemistress, Batchworth Heath, Running Fortune, Opalkino. 23 ran. NR: Lets Go Allegro. hd, 3l, 2l, 1½l, hd. Mrs J Ramsden at Thirsk. Tote: £16.20; £2.50, £1.60, £11.40, £1.90. DF: £89.70. CSF: £120.57. Tricast: £1,748.56. 1min 16.10sec.

Placepot: £113.00.

Yarmouth

Going: good to firm (back straight firm)

2.15 (6f) 1, **LANCHESTER** (M Roberts, 4-1); 2, **Scarron** (W Ryan, 7-2 jt-fav); 3, **Mbulwa** (J Reid, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 jt-fav Lake Dancer (6th), Salik (th), 9 Clever Claude, 33 Phanan (5th). 7 ran. 2l, 1l, ½l, 1½l, 2½l. R Williams at Newmarket. Tote: £3.80; £1.80, £2.20. DF: £7.40. CSF: £16.35.

2.45 (2m 2f 28yd) 1, **SHORTNING BREAD** (W R Swinburn, 5-2 fav); 2, **For Action** (J Reid, 8-1); 3, **Glowing Picture** (J Curant, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 5 Merlin's Magic, 11-2 *Lindross* (4th), 9 Merchant's Dream (5th), 10 Gold Tint, 16 Crime Passionnel (6th), 25 Trojan War. 9 ran. Nk, 1½l, 1l, ½l, 2l. M Stoute at Newmarket. Tote: £3.40; £1.40, £2.90, £1.80. DF: £20.30. CSF: £20.94. Tricast: £91.31.

3.15 (1m) 1, **OUT RUN** (M Roberts, 100-30); 2, **Alhathaf** (A Riding, 9-4 fav); 3, **Logamimo** (G Bardwell, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 5-2 Favourite Flower (5th), 7 Handsome Groom (4th). 5 ran. 1½l, 3l, 8l, ½l. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £3.90; £1.80, £1.60. DF: £6.80. CSF: £10.73.

3.45 (1m 2f) 1, **DIVINE LAW** (J Reid, 2-1); 2, **Heldiee** (M Roberts, 100-30); 3, **Rumoosh** (W R Swinburn, 11-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 14 Lizzie Borden (4th), Valika (5th). 5 ran. Nk, 3l, 3l, 15l. B Hills at Manton. Tote: £3.10; £1.50, £1.50. DF: £5.80. CSF: £8.43.

Winning treble

Michael Seely's three selections all won yesterday to produce a 23½-1 treble. They were Tancred Sand (11-4, nap), Lucky Song (7-4) and Court (11-8).

4.15 (7f) 1, **CIELAMOUR** (J Reid, 8-13 fav; **Private Handicapper's top rating**); 2, **Sea Saga** (Rae Guest, 3-1); 3, **Sulaymi** (W Ryan, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 15 General Silky (4th). 4 ran. 1½l, 7l, ½l. Miss M Piggott at Newmarket. Tote: £1.60. DF: £1.80. CSF: £2.82.

4.45 (6f) 1, **COURT** (M Roberts, 11-8 fav); 2, **Donna Elvira** (Rae Guest, 9-1); 3, **Angelic Note** (W R Swinburn, 100-30). ALSO RAN: 15-2 Noble Lustre, 12 Book Of Verse, Slender Bender (6th), 16 Abberton (4th), 20 Our Music, 25 Nearly Red, 50 Aragon Girl, Gay Finale, Iriscar, Norbilia, Polly Pretty (5th), Quelle Chemise, Starlight Wonder. 16 ran. Nk, 2½l, 2½l, nk, ½l. A Stewart at Newmarket. Tote: £2.50; £1.50, £2.40, £1.70. DF: £17.80. CSF: £14.59.

5.15 (5f 25yd) 1, **CHARM BIRD** (J Reid, 6-4 fav); 2, **Misleat** (T Ives, 11-2); 3, **Wellow Wine** (D McKay, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 Kate Of Aragon (4th), 33 Wild Willie, Miss Honeydew (6th), Miss Tuneful, On Top Girl (5th). 8 ran. 3l, 2l, 8l, 2l, 3l. J Holt at Basingstoke. Tote: £2.70; £1.10, £1.50, £2.50. DF: £5.30. CSF: £9.41.

Placepot: £54.20.

Brighton

Going: hard

2.0 (1m) 1, **HUSH CHILD** (R Hills, 2-1 fav); 2, **Rekela** (T Williams, 9-2); 3, **Red Bellad** (R Cochrane, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Baligay (4th), 8 Brilliant Chance (5th), 10 Eclipse Bid (6th). 6 ran. 1½l, sh hd, sh hd, 7l, 4l. R Akehurst at Epsom. Tote: £2.70; £1.40, £4.10. DF: £8.00. CSF: £10.71.

2.30 (1m 4f) 1, **STISTED PARK** (C Rate, 5-1); 2, **Soldiers Duty** (V Smith, 4-1); 3, **Minns Man** (D Biggs, 2-1 fav). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Millers Tale (4th), 8 Jealous Lover (6th), 10 L'Enchere, 14 Granny Takes A Trip, 16 Church Star (5th). 8 ran. NR: Zindelina, Ballantrae. ½l, 4l, 4l, 6l, 2l. P Haslam at Newmarket. Tote: £6.40; £1.90, £1.60, £1.30. DF: £13.20. CSF: £25.68. Tricast: £49.58. Winner bought in for 5,100gns.

3.0 (7f) 1, **TORRANCE** (R Fox, 7-4 fav); 2, **April Fool** (I Johnson, 13-2); 3, **Silent Sister** (R Hills, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 2 Yalciyna (5th), 11-2 Tommy Daly (4th). 5 ran. NR: Mukhabbir. 4l, nk, nk, 8l. D Wilson at Epsom. Tote: £2.70; £1.60, £1.30. DF: £8.00. CSF: £11.00.

3.30 (1m 4f) 1, **AYLESFIELD** (Sue Brown, 14-1); 2, **Yamrah** (Yvonne Haynes, 5-1); 3, **Checkpoint** (Carolyn Eddery, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Falling Shadow (4th), 5 Tarleton's Oak (6th), 9 Another Season, Straight Through (5th), 14 Snow Huntress, 20 Comedy Sail, 33 Harry Covert, 50 Ijazah, Oriental Jade (pu), Kokoshka, Pps Little Secret. 14 ran. NR: Good Medicine. 3l, 2l, 2l, 1½l, ½l. A Hide at Newmarket. Tote: £13.80; £3.70, £2.20, £2.50. DF: £26.70. CSF: £75.36. Tricast: £393.53.

4.0 (1m) 1, **SWING SHIFT** (R Cochrane, 11-2); 2, **No Submission** (E Johnson, 9-2); 3, **Carmagnole** (G Starkey, 3-1 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 3 jt-fav Ruddy Lucky (4th), 8 Kissavos, 12 Heart Of Groom, Murango (6th), Wishiah (5th), 25 Dara Doone, 33 Lataam, Whispering Heights. 11 ran. NR: Hoskins, Tiger Claw. Nk, nk, 2½l, 2l, ½l. L Cumani at Newmarket. Tote: £4.20; £1.80, £1.90, £3.50. DF: £40.60. CSF: £30.81.

4.30 (7f) 1, **RAIN BURST** (R Cochrane, 9-2); 2, **Al Najah** (A Kimberley, 6-5 fav); 3, **Daring Daphne** (R Hills, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 3 Mediocrma (6th), 12 Canney's Kingdom, 25 High Cairn (4th), 50 Key To Enchantment (5th), La Castana. 8 ran. 2l, 10l, 1½l, 6l, nk. L Cumani at Newmarket. Tote: £4.80; £1.60, £1.10, £1.50. DF: £2.90. CSF: £9.61.

5.0 (6f) 1, **P J KELLY** (T Williams, 9-4 fav); 2, **Moon Warrior** (W Carson, 5-1); 3, **Divine Pet** (B Rouse, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Chain Shot (5th), Jack Boy, 9 Vanishing Spirit (6th), 14 Portfield Lady (4th), 20 Mazyooneh, Aquarian Prince, 33 Charmed Knave, First Tradition, Siccawei. 12 ran. NR: Foruli, Royal Dartmouth. ½l, 5l, 1l, 2l, 1l. D Laing at Lambourn. Tote: £3.30; £1.70, £1.70, £2.30. DF: £10.00. CSF: £13.40. Tricast: £59.88.

Placepot: £14.70

GOLF

Ballesteros moves flawlessly into an emphatic lead

From Mitchell Platts
Golf Correspondent
Versailles

Severiano Ballesteros yesterday "won" the Lancôme Trophy on the Saint-Nom-la-Bretèche course. Nick Faldo, Sandy Lyle, Greg Norman and Ian Woosnam will beg to differ with that opinion since 54 holes remain but, in taking 64 shots for his first round, Ballesteros distanced himself from his rivals in the most emphatic manner.

Ballesteros will consider this a title lost if he fails to stay in front. Norman is already talking in terms of needing two 67s to possibly erode Ballesteros's advantage before the final day. More significantly, Ballesteros is more than half way towards the 12-under-par total that he predicted will be sufficient to win.

The elegant Parisians, who make the annual pilgrimage to walk this parkland course, must hope for a sharp reverse in fortunes if their craving for an exciting finish is to be satisfied. Ballesteros is four shots ahead of Mark James and Craig Parry, of Australia, but he is also five, seven, eight and 11 shots in front of Woosnam, Norman, Faldo and Lyle respectively.

You could put your mortgage on Carl Lewis with a 10-yard start in Seoul but, as well as Ballesteros is playing, it would be foolhardy to consider a similar investment on him. "Seve's score is fantastic, but remember this course can grab you at any time," Woosnam said.

Even so, Ballesteros, out in 30 with seven single putts, looked every inch the Open champion as he majestically completed a flawless performance with birdies from 12 feet and six feet at the 14th and 16th.

Confidence stems from a successful putting stroke, which is something that both Faldo and Norman are desperately seeking, and Ballesteros has that. He is also encouraged by his swing. He is now moving the ball from left to right and he has rarely looked more in control from tee to green.

Woosnam, too, did not drop a shot, but he made only two birdies. The first came at the fourth, where he hit a six-iron to four feet and he extracted the other from the 11th by nursing home a 10-foot putt.

Norman holed an 83-yard shot with a sand wedge for an unlikely eagle three at the first, but otherwise he found the greens unfriendly. Norman, however, is frustrated rather than concerned. Bernhard Langer is concerned. He took 79 and only two of the 66 players scored more.

LEADING FIRST ROUND SCORES (GB and Ireland unless stated): 64: S Ballesteros (Sp). 68: M James, C Parry (Aus). 69: J-M Olazabal (Sp), M Pendaries (Fr), D J Russell, I Woosnam, R Chapman. 70: M Martin (Sp), C Montgomerie, M Allen (US), P Baker, A Forsbrand (Swe), D Durnian, G J Brand, R Boxall.

Card of the course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	364	4	10	418	4
2	335	4	11	373	4
3	189	3	12	545	5
4	397	4	13	205	3
5	467	4	14	355	4
6	437	4	15	396	4
7	509	5	16	172	3
8	432	4	17	509	5
9	209	3	18	363	4
Out	3,389	35	In	3,336	36

Total yardage: 6 725 Par: 71

Sweden's lead cut down by McEvoy

From John Hennessy, Ullna, Sweden

Sweden, the European amateur champions, took a long stride towards adding the world title to their role of honour here yesterday. They opened a lead of five strokes over the United States and six over Britain and Ireland. Discarding the highest of four scores, Sweden have a total of 214, two under par.

Peter McEvoy, appearing in this event for the fifth time, was the mainstay of a position which the Geoffrey Marks, the Britain and Ireland captain, regards as "very satisfactory. Six strokes can go in a single round by a single player in this event."

The intrusion of water from Lake Ullna together with a stiff wind and unnecessary ditches across many fairways, induced some eccentric choices of tee shots. Jim Milligan, for instance, fashioned a birdie at the 492 yards fourth with two four irons.

McEvoy used his driver only five times. He recorded five birdies, although there was a six on his card, not all that surprising since the 13th measures 596 yards. Driving into the rough, he had to chip back to the fairway and there could be no reprieve.

The other counting scores for Britain and Ireland were Milligan's 75 and Eoghan O'Connell's 73 as Garth McGimpsey's 76 failed to register.

The United States relied on their two senior citizens, Jay Sigel, 44, and Danny Yates, 38. Sigel scored 71, not unexpectedly, and Yates 72. "Unbelievably," he said, after an outward half of 42. He came back with a run of two, three (eagle), two, three, from the third (his 12th) and, with another birdie at the 8th, he was six under par for seven holes.

Sweden were given a flying start by Fredrik Lindgren's 69, three under par. It defied the efforts of 152 other players from 39 nations to emulate it. Anders Haglund came in with a 72 and John Lindberg with a 73, so that the efforts of Christian Hardin, holder of the British Amateur, became academic, once he had gone to three over par at the 17th.

LEADING SCORES: 214: Sweden (F Lindgren 69, A Haglen 72, J Lindberg 73, C Hardin, 75). 219: United States (J Sigel 71, D Yates, 72, E Meeks, 76, K Johnson, 77). 220: Britain and Ireland (P McEvoy 72, E O'Connell 73, J Milligen 75, G McGimpsey 76). 225: France and Japan. 226: New Zealand, Spain and Australia. 227: Taiwan. Individual scores: 69: F Lindgren (Swe). 70: D Ecob (Aus). 71: W-T Lu (Taiwan), J Sigel (US), E Anderson (Br). 72: P McEvoy (GB and Ire), A Haglund (Swe), D Yates (US).

Irish out in the cold as Scots go for grand slam

By a Special Correspondent

Scotland kept on course for the grand slam in the women's home internationals at Kilmarnock Barassie yesterday, but were given plenty to think about by the resilient Irish side.

Playing in bitterly cold conditions, the Scots began the afternoon singles with a 2-1 advantage after halving the first two foursomes and winning the third by a 2-1 margin.

The Scottish champion, Shirley Lawson, having missed a 2½ft putt for victory on the 18th green earlier in the morning, more than made amends with a splendid 5 and 4 victory over Irish No. 1, Laura Bolton.

Kathryn Imrie inflicted a 3 and 2 defeat upon the Curtis Cup member, Claire Hourihane, while Tracey Craik crowned her first senior appearance by gaining the one point required for victory with a one-hole win over former Irish Girls' champion, Eileen Rose McDaid.

In the earlier contest, Wales were unfortunate to be on the receiving end of a 7-2 drubbing by the English.

With a 2-1 lead going into the singles, only the out-of-form, Susan Shapcott, experienced defeat, going down 4 and 3 to Helen Wadsworth.

SCORES: England v Wales (English names first): Singles: J Wade bt S Roberts 2 and 1; L Bayman bt V Thomas 4 and 3; S Shapcott lost to H Wadsworth 4 and 3; H Dobson bt L Dermott 6 and 4; L Fairclough bt A Parriam 5 and 4; A Johns bt L Isherwood 4 and 3. Final score: England 7, Wales 2. Ireland v Scotland (Irish names first): Singles: L Bolton lost to S Lawson 5 and 4, M McKenna bt J Forbes 6 and 5; C Hourihane lost to K Imrie 3 and 2; E R McDaid lost to T Craik one hole; D Hanna bt E Farquharson 2 and 1; E Higgins bt A Gemmill one hole. Final score: Ireland 4, Scotland 5.

- Laura Davies, of Britain, the holder, produced a birdie, eagle finish for a round of 65, seven under par, to lead the field after the opening round of the Italian Open at Ca' della Nave in Venice yesterday.

LEADING SCORES: First round: (GB and Ire unless stated, * denotes amateur): 65: L Davies. 67: M-L De Lorenzie de Taya (Fr). 68: D Reid. 69: F Dassu (It). 70: P Gonzales (Col), J Connachan, C Dibnah (Aus), X Wunsch (Sp), R Bell (Aus). 71: M Thomson, S Moon (US), *S Croce (It), C Panton, J Arnold (NZ), E Girardi (It), *E Orley (Switz), P Conley (US), A Nicholas, R Lautens (Switz).

MOTOR RALLYING

McRae coolly heads for record books

By a Special Correspondent

With a lead of more than five minutes over his nearest rival for the Shell RAC British championship, Jimmy McRae, of Scotland, eased his pace in his Ford Sierra Cosworth when the Tudor Webasto Manx Rally continued yesterday.

Needing only to finish ahead of Pentti Airikkala, of Finland, to become the first five-times winner, McRae allowed his rival to claw back almost a minute on the first five stages. Patrick Snijers, the Belgian leader, was also able to ease the furious pace in his BMW when Robert Droogmans, his European championship challenger, broke the front suspension of his Sierra Cosworth.

While McRae was having a trouble-free run, his son, Colin collected a puncture and then rolled his Vauxhall Nova on the next corner. He landed on his roof but the damage was minimal and after spectators righted the vehicle he continued at undiminished pace to still lead his class by nine minutes.

RESULTS: Leaders: (after 19 stages): 1, P Snijers (BMW), 1hr 41min 31sec; 2, J McRae (Sierra Cosworth), 1:42.03; 3, P Collins (Sierra Cosworth), 1:44.46; 4, F Tabaton (Lancia Delta), 1:45.24; 5, M Wilson (Vauxhall Astra), 1:45.48;

SQUASH RACKETS

ISRF grants consent for rule changes

By Colin McQuillan

The International Squash Rackets Federation (ISRF) yesterday gave official sanction for variations to the professional tournament circuit which will almost certainly change the game for the world's 10 million players.

At its annual general meeting in Brisbane, the ISRF agreed to allow the International Squash Players Association (ISPA) to adopt American point-per-rally scoring, 17in tins and single no-fault serving for its international grand prix tournaments throughout the 1989 calendar year.

Only the ISPA's 200 members and their 20 grand prix fixtures will be immediately affected and the ISRF has asked for a full report and evaluation for its next annual general meeting in Kuala Lumpur in October next year.

The rest of the international squash community will continue to play to traditional nine point score-with-service rules with normal 19in tins, although from May next year they will be limited to one serve instead of the two serves with cutline faults currently in use.

FOOTBALL: ROBSON FALLS BACK ON HIS TRIED AND TRUSTED TRIO DESPITE HIS FAITH IN THE YOUNG

The time is not ripe for youth to take over England helm

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

The England *manager,* who asked Gascoigne, Rocastle and Walker to play varying parts in the 1-0 victory over Denmark on Wednesday night, will resist the temptation to invite them back for the World Cup *qualifying* tie against Sweden on October 19. *For the time being,* according to Bobby Robson, youth has had its day.

Not that the three newcomers merit instant omission. Rocastle, *in particular,* was "sound and did well *defensively*" but an evening shared with friendly opponents inside a half-empty arena does not represent an adequate dress rehearsal for the heavily significant occasion that lies only a *month* away.

Although the trio and Davis are sure to be involved in the visits to Morocco and Greece later in the season, they are not considered ready for the forthcoming ordeal. Robson would prefer *instead* to rely on his *older* and *wiser* representatives such as Barnes, Lineker and Steven.

"The immediate future cannot yet lie in the hands of players like Gascoigne," he said yesterday. "First he has to adjust to being with a big club like Tottenham. He has had two games so far. In one he was brought off and in the other he died. Not literally, *but he did fade.*

"Davis will take over from Bryan Robson eventually. Naturally left-footed, he has been groomed in the under-21 side for that job over the last three years, but how can you leave the captain *out after a magnificent performance* like *that?* I've got a lot of faith in youngsters.

"I know as much about kids as any manager in the country. I had to operate a youth policy throughout my time at Ipswich Town. *The ones coming through for England* are good players, although they would be even better if our clubs were allowed to compete in Europe."

The talented Rocastle combined adequately enough with a much-improved Stevens, especially as Arsenal's 21-year-old was granted only two days' practice with an unfamiliar right back. Yet he is likely to retain his place only if the damaged Achilles tendon of a more regular partner, Steven, has not sufficiency healed.

Walker "did not *look* out of place even when Stevens put him in trouble," but he, too, will not be selected as long as Butcher and Adams are available. After an ominously shaky opening with his partner, Butcher confirmed how sorely his influential presence was missed during the finals of the European Championship.

Gascogine was introduced for the closing six minutes but *in the previous* 84 Webb *had* already earned the right to be considered as the captain's most effective foil. Although England's manager hailed Webb as "our best player," his goal and his evening were *made simple by Bryan Robson.*

Harford, whose initial act was to commit a typical and unnecessarily distasteful foul, and Hodge were brought in temporarily to fill gaps. Luton Town's centre forward raised *the height of an otherwise small front line* but, apart from assisting in the creation of the goal, his display was undistinguished.

Under Johann Cruyff, Barcelona are employing only one forward, a tactic which *threatens to delay* Lineker's *return to full fitness.* Against Sweden his instincts will be as necessary an asset as the penetrating runs down the flank of either Barnes or Waddle. As the understudy for the wingers, Hodge was no more than industrious.

Bobby Robson, *aware that Wembley would* be an eerie place, knew that it would be "a strange night. The players had to generate their own spirit, but at least those who did turn up showed that they are genuine fans. There was *no booing and, elsewhere* in the world, a crowd of almost 26,000 would be considered more than reasonable." He recognizes that the feeble concession to the Soviet Union *in* June reduced *Wednesday's gate by an estimated* 10,000 spectators. *He* trusts that the triumph over Denmark has put another 35,000 on the attendance on October 19.

Gascoigne: the immediate future is not yet in his hands

Roxburgh to rely upon supporters

Andy Roxburgh, the Scotland coach has called on his team's supporters to provide the decisive influence on the home World Cup qualifying match against Yugoslavia on October 19.

Roxburgh said yesterday that within half an hour of Scotland's 2-1 win in Oslo on Wednesday, he was "thinking ahead to the next game" against Yugoslavia.

He said: "Yugoslavia are without doubt the top team in group five at the moment. They are technically gifted and have an abundance of talent. However sometimes they struggle to handle things emotionally, and that is why I'm convinced that the most significant factor could be the 'Tartan Army'. I want them to turn out in numbers and intimidate Yugoslavia."

Should the Scots manage another win at Hampden, they would be in a position of strength going into a spring campaign involving two ties against Cyprus and one, at home, with France.

Roxburgh refused to become too excited at his team's prospects of qualifying for a fifth successive World Cup in 1990.

"We are not world-beaters by any stretch of the imagination, but we are not a bad side. We have only lost one of our last 10 matches."

- The Nottingham Forest player, Lee Glover, could be out of action for several months after returning from Norway with his leg in plaster. Glover, aged 18, was injured during Scotland's Under-21 match on Tuesday.

Yorath in good heart

Terry Yorath, manager of Wales, believes that his side's World Cup destiny could well be decided by goal difference (Ian Ross writes). His theory that Wales will share the points with their main group four rivals, the Netherlands and West Germany, explained the general satisfaction he felt following Wednesday night's defeat in Amsterdam by the European champions.

While the Welsh performance possibly warranted a more tangible reward than the acclaim of the media, Yorath, was swift to praise the men who came within six minutes of an improbable draw, and was delighted with his players' discipline in the six minutes that remained after Ruud Gullit's goal.

"I am glad that we didn't go chasing an equalizer because we could have ended up losing by two or three goals and that would have been a disaster," Yorath said.

Irish FA awaits retribution

By Clive White

Northern Ireland were left to count the cost yesterday of their goalless draw with the Republic of Ireland at Windsor Park on Wednesday. And it will almost certainly amount to more than lost ground in group six of their World Cup qualifying campaign.

David Bowen, the Irish FA secretary, fully expects his association to be fined by FIFA after a bottle was thrown onto the pitch in the second half. Despite the promp action of Moran, the acting Republic captain, in removing the missile from the field with a minimum of fuss, it would seem that the incident did not escape the attention of Michel Vautrot, the French referee.

It will not be the first time that the Irish FA has been before FIFA for such an incident. Seven years ago they were fined 1,000 Swiss Francs for similar crowd action in a World Cup qualifier against Portugal. But while Bowen expects a heavier fine this time he does not believe that they will suffer a similar fate to that of Linfield, the Irish club, who were ordered to play their next two home legs in European competition away from home following similar trouble last season.

"Apart from the bottle incident the Belgian observer from FIFA was extremely happy with the security, control and stewarding," Bowen said. "He congratulated us on the way we handled things in such an atmosphere. There was a big police presence and only one or two arrests. We were absolutely delighted. This tie has been a time bomb for us these past nine months."

On the field, apart from a couple of excessive tackles from McDonald and Whelan, both of which met with bookings, the game was vigorously but fairly fought. While Jack Charlton, the Republic *manager, seemed* less *satisfied* than his *opposite* number with the result *in* the immediate aftermath, believing that they *should have won the tie, the Republic's point may* prove to be an *invaluable one.*

If the Republic can sustain the *impetus* which carried them courageously through the European Championship finals in the next two matches, both away, against Spain in November and Hungary next March, they may find themselves sitting pretty with a run of four home ties to follow.

- Tottenham's hopes of having Paul McGrath, the Republic of Ireland defender, *in their side* to face Liverpool tomorrow were dashed yesterday *when the* proposed £700,000 *deal* with Manchester United was held up.

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

WORLD CUP: Qualifying round: Group four: The Netherlands 1, Wales 0. Group five: Norway 1, Scotland 2. Group six: *Northern Ireland 0, Republic of Ireland 0.*

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: (Wembley): England 1, *Denmark 0; (Oviedo):* Spain 1, Yugoslavia 2; (La Serena): Chile 3, Ecuador 1.

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Boston United 2, Chorley 0; Welling 0, Wycombe 1.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Aston Villa 6, *Manchester City 2; Leeds 3,* Coventry 3; West Brom 5, Sheffield Utd 0. Second division: Darlington 0, Grimsby 2; *Hull 5, Blackpool 2;* Scunthorpe 1, *Middlesbrough 0;* Stoke 2, York 1.

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Chelsea 4, Queen's Park Rangers 0; Crystal Palace 2, Fulham 1; Oxford Utd 1, Tottenham 2.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier Division: Gateshead 1, Morecambe 0. First division: Accrington Stanley 1, *Curzon Ashton 3: Bishop Auckland 4, Netherfield 0; Farsley Celtic 3,* Sutton Town 1; Radcliffe Boro 2, Lancaster 2; Whitley Bay 5, Penrith 1; Workington 0, Colne 2.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier Division: Alvechurch 3, Bedworth 0; Corby 1, *Moor Green 2;* Fareham 0, Dorchester 1; *Leicester Utd 0, Redditch 1; VS Rugby 2,* Bromsgrove 5. Midland division: Banbury 0, Dudley 0; Sutton Coldfield 0, Tamworth 2. Southern division: Canterbury City 6, *Tonbridge 0;* Salisbury 0, Hounslow 1.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Second division north: Royston 0, Letchworth GC 0. *AC Delco Cup, first round: Camberley 1,* Farnborough 6, Chesham Utd 4, Bognor Regis 1; Molesley 1, Banstead 0; Uxbridge 3, Bromley 2 (aet); Ware 0, Hampton 1 (at Hertford).

FA VASE: Extra preliminary round replay: Chard 2, Port of Bristol 1.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bideford 0, Saltash 1; Minehead 1, *Taunton 1;* Welton *0,* Weston SM 1.

FRENCH LEAGUE: Paris Saint-Germain 1, Bordeaux 1.

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Dover GS 0, Harvey GS 4; *Charterhouse 2,* Steyning 1; *Highgate 2, Brentwood 3;*

RUGBY UNION

A question of attitude not of amateurism

By Gerald Davies

"I get concerned from time to time *when I read articles or hear people comment that* New Zealand's *is a professional game of rugby,*" Russ Thomas, chair*man of* the New Zealand Rugby Football Union, said.

"*That is* entirely incorrect. We certainly are professional in our approach and believe we should be. *The* fact that we are *encouraging* our players to have training runs each day, for instance; the fact we have a fitness expert examine each player and set training programmes, *I believe, is the correct application* for our players. People are *prepared to train* in *their own time, it is part of the way of life,* so each player wants to be a good All Black."

He *has good reason* for his concern. The *young man* in the soggy tent interviewed on BBC's Brass Tacks *programme, for* instance, concluded without equivocation: "The All Blacks are professionals." However distorted, this has become part of rugby's parlance, the common judgement. The smokescreen that has been circulating since Wales returned from New Zealand in June had finally succeeded in obscuring the view.

It is now assumed, accepting the high level of an All Black player's performance, that they must be *professional. It is a* major and damaging misjudgement.

In this respect the present *crop of* Welsh players, in trying *to come to* terms with the *difference in* standard and to *explain* the results to a disbelieving public, have, wittingly or otherwise, encouraged the falsity. It is a way of explaining partly for the failure without *losing* faith. *It* is a way of excusing and shielding themselves against the superiority of the Southern Hemisphere.

Whatever else may happen beyond the boundaries of New Zealand, the game remains amateur within it. The threat to amateurism comes from closer to home, here in the Northern *Hemisphere, in attempting to* catch up *but in reading* the wrong signs.

In this context, invariably, the *example that is consistently* cited is that of John Kirwan, the brilliant All Black winger. Admittedly he is conspicuous in his promotional work throughout New Zealand. But since he works in the field of public relations, wide though that term can be defined, he functions within the International Board amateur regulations.

They state that "a person may use his name or any other means of personal identification in *advertisements which are related to his full-time bona fide occupation or business provided it does not refer or relate* to his *activities* or *involvement* with a game". Kirwan abides by the wording of that regulation.

Also, by referring solely to Kirwan and his activities, the remainder of the All Blacks, by implication, are assumed to be doing the same. This is not so. The exception does not prove to be the rule.

Others have suggested that the All Blacks have jobs which are "sinecures". Again, this is far from being the truth. They are employed, as very many other sportsmen are, by kindly and sympathetic employers who allow a certain latitude when time off work is required to *pursue their chosen sport.*

The New Zealand player allocates his time to more effective use. He *may be in a better position to do so since the demands on his time to actually* play the game are not, as yet, so great as it is in Wales. Auckland will not play as often as Llanelli and it is doubtful whether they meet as often for national squad training.

In this country, clubs need to concentrate on new rationale for coaching so that players can devote a proper allocation of their time to their training.

Promising match for Carr

By George Ace

The match at Ravenhill tonight between Ulster and the South of Scotland is more than just a game of rugby. With a liberal sprinkling of internationals on both sides, it promises to be entertaining and will hopefully attract an attendance worthy of the occasion.

Nigel Carr's return to representative rugby after a lengthy absence will be watched with interest by the selectors, provincial and national.

Reynolds, the Ulster loosehead, playing only his second representative match, will be under a lot of pressure from McGuinness and the manner in which the Malone man stands up to it may well have a considerable bearing on the result.

One can only hope that the Ulster midfield trio of Brown, Hewitt and Harbinson do not forget that Ringland and Crossan are on the wings primarily to be used as attacking players and not merely making up the numbers.

ULSTER: P Rainey (Ballymena); T Ringland (Ballymena), J Hewitt (London Irish), W Harbinson (London Irish), K Crossan (Instonians); I Brown (Malone), R Brady (Ballymena); M Reynolds (Malone), S Smith (Ballymena), J McCoy (Bangor), P Matthews (Wanderers), C Morrison (Malone), W Anderson (Dungannon, capt), N Carr (Ards), D Morrow (Bangor).

SOUTH OF SCOTLAND: P Dods (Gala); T Stanger (Hawick), G McKechnie (Jed-Forest), A Douglas (Jed-Forest), E. Wetherley (Melrose); C Chalmers (Melrose), G Oliver (Hawick); J Rae (Hawick), G Callander (Kelso, capt), G McGuinness (Hawick), D Turnbull (Hawick), G Hynd (Jed-Forest), R Brown (Melrose), J Jeffrey (Kelso), S McGaughey (Hawick).

Referee: S V Griffiths (North Midlands).

Sandal want a win with enjoyment

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

"We play a 15-man game and even though it's a cup tie, we won't be playing 10-man, kick-it-in-the-air stuff. If we fail with that, so be it." Martin Shuttleworth, 12 years Wakefield's stand-off half and now player-coach with Sandal, uttered a blunt dictum which will receive a round of applause from all those who worry that leagues and cups will increasingly inhibit the game in England.

It was a worry voiced in more than one clubhouse after several indifferent league matches last weekend, when the fear of losing was more apparent than the risk of winning. Sandal, though, want to enjoy themselves in their first appearance in the national knockout competition, now the Pilkington Cup, when they meet Durham City at Milnthorpe Green tomorrow.

In theory, there is only one winner of this match, and it is not Sandal. Durham City just missed promotion last season from area league north and opened their league season last week with a 22-10 win over Winnington Park; but when they come to what Shuttleworth describes as the stockbroker belt of Wakefield, they will find Sandal no respecters of reputation.

The Yorkshire club were fourth last season in Northern division two and reached the Pilkington Cup by virtue of the enlarged scope of the competition. Yorkshire had three places to fill in round one, two of which went to Wakefield and Sheffield — who were then promptly drawn to play each other — and the third to Sandal after a play-off in which they beat Otley and Morley. Since Morley are also a north area league club, that in itself is a fair warning to Durham.

Sandal run four, sometimes five, senior sides; their colts won the County Colts Cup last season and there are age-group sides between eight and 16. The difficulty lies in the competition for talent; there are two major rugby-playing schools in Wakefield, Queen Elizabeth Grammar and Silcoates, but for every rugby union team in the area, Shuttleworth says, there are 20 amateur rugby league teams.

That Sandal fight their corner well is suggested by their results thus far this month: wins against Castleford, Selby and, last week in the league, Carlisle. Though Nigel Hoyle was the club's top scorer last season with 166 — unusual in that Hoyle is a prop — the goal-kicking this season reverts to Mark Hardcastle, who has recovered from injury to play stand-off half. His partner, Andy Turton, captained the county team which beat Gloucestershire at Twickenham last season for the inaugural under-21 county championship.

"I would imagine," Shuttleworth says flatly, "that we are classed as rank outsiders." But if they can pull in an anticipated four-figure crowd to their refurbished ground, clearly they will hope to emulate the Nottinghamshire side, Paviors, who terminated Durham's only previous appearance in the knockout cup two years ago.

Bryanston and Rugby top the class

Schools Rugby By Michael Stevenson

Bryanston, aided by a late penalty from Jeremy Stevens, defeated **Mill Hill** in an absorbing final of section A of the Douai School 15-a-side festival to capture the Chesterman Cup on Sunday after **Abingdon** and Monmouth were eliminated at the semi-final stage.

Rugby carried off the Old Dowegians Shield with victory over **Wellington College** in the section B final. Ofong, Rugby's brilliant Nigerian wing, scored a fine try for Bryant to convert and a penalty from Quivellwas Wellington's only score. Murchison, the Rugby No. 8, was the outstanding player of the tournament. **Taunton** and **St George's** both reached the semi-finals.

Colston's, who competed at Douai, are staging their own 15-a-side festival on Sunday. In other matches at the weekend, **St Edward's Oxford**, away to **Harrow**, withstood late pressure to win 10-6. **Trent** scored six tries, in their 30-6 victory over **Stamford** and **Llandoverey**, who seem certain to be very strong again this winter, defeated a hard-tackling **Downside** team 14-4.

BOXING

McKenzie surprised by success

By Srikumar Sen
Boxing Correspondent

Britain's "worst amateur" could be world professional champion next month. Duke McKenzie, who challenges Rolando Bohol, of the Philippines, for the International Boxing Federation flyweight championship at the Wembley Conference Centre, on October 5, revealed yesterday: "I must have had the worst amateur record. I lost 40 amateur fights".

When his manager, Mickey Duff, raised an eyebrow or two and said that he had not been aware of such a record when signing him up nearly six years ago, McKenzie said: "I couldn't tell you that, then!"

McKenzie added that he had never wanted to be world champion as he never believed himself of being capable of winning it. "I only wanted to be British champion but one thing led to another," he said. However, now that he has got his chance there is no question of not winning it. It would make the ideal present for his trainer, Colin Smith, whose birthday is on October 4 and silver wedding *on the big* day. It would, however, spoil Bohol's Christmas for he was *born on* Christmas Day.

If McKenzie is succesful on October he intends to *make a* voluntary defence against Paul Gonzales, of the United States, and then box Fidel Bassa in a unification bout. Both contests should set the Croydon boxer on *the road* to his first million. But *it could be a long road.* Duff said: "It is a *pity* that he is a flyweight because he *will* have to make 10 succesful *defences* before he can make what *Bruno* will make against Mike Tyson (£1 million)."

But McKenzie said that he did not intend to stay too long in the flyweights. His ambition was *to move up to bantamweight,* where he believed the big money was. "I want some big pay days," he said. "There are a lot *more* attractive fights at bantamweight. I want to fight

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Cup failure exacts a price

By Paul Newman

Glory, excitement and financial rewards are not the only advantages that success in the FA Cup can bring. Every year 20 non-League clubs, selected on recent Cup form, are given a bye to the fourth qualifying round and another four receive passports to the first round proper. To those clubs with an eye on league success, the advantage of being able to concentrate on securing points while some rivals are forced to switch their attention to Cup ties can be crucial.

Of the current top seven clubs in the GM Vauxhall Conference, **Barnet, Boston United** and **Kettering Town** all stand to lose ground when they enter the Cup in the first qualifying round tomorrow. Barnet are at home to **Epsom and Ewell,** Boston entertain **Coventry Sporting** and Kettering travel to Ware.

Although Barnet have *had* Epsom and Ewell *watched, they should* hardly pose a threat. They have just lost one of their most promising players. Matt Elliott, who signed for Charlton Athletic after a month's trial, and have yet to win a Vauxhall-Opel League match this season.

The interruption of a game *against a team from the lower reaches of the Vauxhall-Opel League second division could hardly have come at a more inconvenient time for Kettering, who this week went to the top of the Conference table. However, Peter Morris, their manager, is trying to view the match at Ware positively.*

"It does give us a break from the tension of league games," he said. "Football in the Conference is extremely tight and competitive and this may give *us a chance to play* with a bit of freedom."

Ware have taken only *one* point from four games this season and a more realistic aim than emulating their feat of 20 years ago, when they reached the first round proper for the first and only time — losing 6-1 away to a Bruce Rioch-inspired Luton Town — will be to raise the £4,000 they need to bring their floodlights up to standard. With league attendances averaging about 100, gates such as tomorrow's expected 400 provide a welcome boost to finances.

Coventry Sporting, who blame a similar lack of support on their location in the middle of the University of Warwick campus, will travel to Boston United with at least two players, Martin Bodkin and Tom McGinty, unavailable because of work commitments.

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

UNITED STATES: National League: New York Mets 3, Chicago Cubs 1; *Los Angeles* Dodgers 1, *Atlanta Braves* 0; Houston Astros 7, Cincinnati Reds 1; Pittsburgh Pirates 4, Montreal Expos 1; Philadelphia Phillies 9, St Louis Cardinals 2; *San Francisco* Giants 6, San Diego Padres 5. American League: Boston Red Sox 4, Baltimore Orioles 3; New York Yankees 7, Cleveland Indians 5; Toronto Blue Jays 3, *Detroit Tigers* 2; Milwaukee Brewers 4, Chicago White Sox 3; Seattle Mariners 2, Minnesota Twins 0; Kansas City Royals 4, California Angels 2; *Texas Rangers 9, Oakland Athletics 1.*

BOXING

SCHEGGIA (Italy): WBC light-heavyweight championship (12 rds): Nestor Tito Giovannini (Arg) bt Wa Beya (It), pts.

CYCLING

TOUR OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY: Seventh stage (204km): 1, D Kneger (WG), 5hr 14min 36sec; 2, A Tetenuk (USSR); 3, J Skoda (Cz), *same time.* 4, L Jalabert (Fr), at 30sec; 5, J Bruyneel (Bel); 6, J Verstrepen (Bel), same time. Leaders after seven stages: 1, G Rue (Fr), 26-14-30; 2, *O Lurvik (Nor),* at 1min 09sec; *3, L Fignon (Fr),* at 1:10.

RUGBY UNION

COUNTY MATCH: Sussex 28, *Buckinghamshire* 3.

CLUB MATCHES: Liverpool St Helens 10, New Brighton 17; Broughton Park 15, Sale 12; Orrell 19, Wigan 6; Pontypool 12, Newport 6; Colchester 19, Campion 9; Esher 25, Old *Millhillians* 0.

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Bancroft's 7, Old Bancroftians 7; Denstone College 26, *Adams* GS 17; Christ College, *Brecon* 39, St David's College, *Cardiff* 9; King's, Bruton 19, Prior Park 3; Llandovery College 31, Graham Jones XV 48, Windsor 20, Desborough 0.

FOOTBALL

AUSTRIAN LEAGUE: VSE St Polten 1, FK *Austria Vienna 1; Admira Wacker 4,* Austria Klagenfurt 1; Rapid Vienna 0, Vienna 1; FK Tyrol 0, Graz AK 0; Sturm Graz 2, Linz ASK 3; Wiener SK 3, Vorwaerts Steyr 2. *Leading positions:* 1, Austria Vienna, played 11, 17pts; 2, FK Tyrol, 11, 15; 3, VSE St Polten, 11, 15.

HUNGARIAN LEAGUE: Vasas Budapest 2, *Halades* VSE 0; Siofok 3, Dunaujvaros 0; Tatabanya 3, Bekescsaba 1; VAC Izzo 0, Zalaegerszeg 3; Veszprem 2, Ujpest Dozsa 1; Raba ETO Gyor 1, Pecs *MSC 0; Ferencvaros 0,* Honved 3; Videoton 4, MTK-VM Budapest 0. Leading positions: 1, Raba ETO, 6, 15; 2, Ferencvaros, 6, 14; 3, Videoton, 6, 12.

PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Benfica 2, Penafiel 1.

SWISS LEAGUE: Saint-Gallen 2, Grasshoppers 2; Aarau 2, Bellinzone 1; Lausanne 1, Servette Geneva 4; *Lucerne* 1, Neuchatel Xamax 0, Lugano 0, Wettingen 0; Young Boys 0, Sion 0. Leading positions: 1, Lucerne played 11, 16pts; 2, Grasshoppers, 11, 13; 3, Sion, 11, 13.

ITALIAN CUP: Group one: Sambenedettese 0, AC Milan 3; Verona 4, Torino 0. Group two: Cesena 4, Modena 1; Lecce 1, Naples 1. Group three: Pescara 1, Ancona 1; Pisa 3, AS Roma 1. Group four: Monza 2, Bari 3; Sampdoria 1, Atalanta 0. Group five: Lazio 1, Fiorentina 0; Udinese 1, Inter Milan 1. Group six: Como 1, Brescia 0; *Juventus 0, Ascoli 2.*

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Charlton 2, Norwich 2.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: *Coventry 45, Reading 45; Oxford 53, Ipswich 37.*

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Long Eaton 47, Glasgow 49; Wimbledon 59, Milton Keynes 37.

KNOCKOUT CUP: *Semi-final, first leg:* Cradley Heath 49, Belle Vue 41.

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Second division: Swinton 56, Runcorn 2.

GOLF

HANKLEY COMMON: GM Vauxhall home counties team classic: West regional final: 1, Leatherhead, 290 (on countback); 2, West Berks, 290; 3, Cowdray Park, 293.

SQUASH RACKETS

KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysian Open tournament: Men's singles: Second round: M McLean (GB) bt *R Martin* (Aus), 9-4, 9-2, 9-0; P *Pekkanen (Fin)* bt S Halstone (GB), 9-7, 9-4, 9-3; G Waite (Can) bt Umar Hayat Khan (Pakistan), 9-4, 6-9, 9-8, 9-4; Mir Zaman Gul (Pakistan) bt *P Hill* (Sin), 10-8, 9-6, 9-0; *C Harris (GB)* bt Zarak Jahan Khan (Pakistan), 9-5, 9-2, 9-1; B Martin (Aus) bt A Adarraga (Aus), 10-8, 3-9, 9-4, 10-8; P Gregory (GB) bt A Wagih (Egypt), 9-5, 9-1, 2-9, 9-3; C Robertson (Aus) bt *B Newton* (Aus), 9-3, 9-1, 9-3. Quarter-finals: Pekkanen bt McLean, 0-9, 9-7, 9-5, 10-8; Mir Zaman Gul bt Waite, 9-8, 9-2, 9-2; Martin bt Harris, 9-5, 9-7, 4-9, 10-9; Robertson bt Gregory, 9-1, 9-1, 9-1. Women's singles: Quarter-finals: L Opie (GB) bt F Rogers (GB), 9-7, 9-1, 9-1; R Best (Ire) bt S Bradly (Aus), 9-5, 8-10, 9-7, 5-9, 9-4; F Geaves (GB) bt L Valls (Sp), 7-9, 9-5, 10-9, 9-0; M Martin (Aus) bt Man Li Lian (Sin), 9-2, 9-4, 9-5.

TENNIS

BARCELONA: Men's grand prix tournament: Singles: Third round: J Arrese (Sp) bt B Oresar (Yug), 6-3, 6-2; T Muster (Austria) bt E Bengoechea (Arg), 6-3, 5-7, 6-4; G Perez-Roldan (Arg) bt T Smid (Cz), 6-2, 6-2; S Casal (Sp) bt J Potier (Fr), 6-2, 6-1; M Filippini (Uru) bt F Davin (Arg), 2-6, 6-4, 6-2; H Leconte (Fr) bt H Skoff (Austria), 6-1, 6-4; K Carlsson (Swe) bt H de la Pena (Arg), 7-6, 6-1; M Gustafsson (Swe) bt M Jaite (Arg), 6-1, 7-5.

CROYDON: Nestlé junior tournament: Boys: Quarter-finals: J Haycock bt A Neal, 6-1, 6-2; J Entract bt A Mills, 7-5, 6-4; N Gould bt D Ward, 7-6, 2-6, 6-3; A Moir bt A Pickin, 6-3, 6-1. Girls: Quarter-finals: V Humphreys-Davies bt C Hurst, 6-2, 6-1; L Cartwright bt S Koopto, 6-2, 5-7, 6-4; S Bentley bt B Bach, 6-3, 6-1; V Graeme-Barber bt E Hales, 6-1, 6-3.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Revival of pride lifts attendance

By Keith Macklin

The large increase in attendances during the opening weeks of the season has surprised officials. After last season's average increase of 25 per cent in first division gates, a small improvement at the start of the 1988-89 season had been expected. A leap in average attendances from just under 6,000 to more than 8,000 per match is, however, beyond the dreams of the most optimistic.

One reason is the enormous fillip given to the game by the win against Australia in the third international in Sydney. This was followed by the success of the Great Britain captain, Ellery Hanley, with the Sydney club Balmain.

These events have convinced everyone that British players are again the equal of the best Australia and New Zealand can produce, and the fans are flocking to the terraces.

Virtually every club in the first division, and some in the second, have given their supporters something to shout about with big signings.

Hull Kingston Rovers, after selling their Craven Park ground for a vast sum, signed David Bishop, and their neighbours, Hull, have a new Australian coach, Brian Smith.

Salford followed their capture of Peter Williams with Adrian Hadley; St Helens are waiting for the top Australian player Michael O'Connor; Wigan obtained Andy Platt from St Helens, and Leeds appointed Malcolm Reilly coach.

Wakefield Trinity have made an amazing start with Mark Graham, from New Zealand and Steve Ella, from Australia, and even Workington Town, in the second division, appointed a former Great Britain team manager, Maurice Bamford, coach.

David Howes, the league's public relations officer, is being guarded about the significance of the increasing attendances. Nevertheless, the size of the increase indicates that more records may be broken by the end of May.

EQUESTRIANISM

Hunt starts favourite

At the Taylor-Woodrow National dressage championships, David Hunt and Maple Zenith start favourites in the supreme championship after last month's treble victory at Rotterdam *International (a Special Correspondent writes).*

The event begins today at Goodwood with classes for young horses.

Despite being the most *successful British* dressage rider *this year,* Hunt is not at the Olympics as he *still* has professional status. *His main opposition will come from Heinz Shweistries on Rubelit von Unkenruf.*

RESULTS: Wellington Riding National advanced medium musical freestyle championship: 1, Viktor (V Thompson); 2, *Eternal Spirit (S Clarke); 3, Quarryman (L Shewen).*

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

Britannic Assurance Championship

(four days)

11.0, 110 overs minimum

DERBY: Derbyshire v Lancashire.

CHELMSFORD: Essex v Northamptonshire.

SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire v Sussex.

CANTERBURY: Kent v Surrey.

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire.

TAUNTON: Somerset v Gloucestershire.

WORCESTER: Worcestershire v *Glamorgan.*

FOOTBALL

7.30 unless stated

Barclays League
Fourth division

Doncaster v Torquay ....
Halifax v Carlisle ....
Stockport v Burnley ....
Tranmere v Cambridge ....
Wrexham v Colchester ....

OTHER SPORT

MOTOR SPORT: *Tudor Webasto Manx Rally (Douglas).*

GOLF: Women's home internationals (Kilmarnock Barassie).

POWERBOATING: Guernsey international week.

SPEEDWAY: British League: Edinburgh v Mildenhall (7.15); Glasgow v Milton Keynes; Hackney v Wimbledon; Peterborough v *Long Eaton.*

TENNIS: Nestlé junior tournament: English finals *(Surrey Tennis and Country* Club, Croydon).

SPORT ON TV

ATHLETICS: ITV 7-8.10 p.m.: Daley: Focus on Daley Thompson as he prepares for Seoul.

BASEBALL 1988: ITV 4-5 a.m. (tomorrow): Kansas City Royals v Minnesota Twins.

OLYMPIC GAMES: BBC1 10.15-11.15 p.m.: Olympic Preview. BBC1 12.55-5 a.m.: Olympic Grandstand. C4 11.15 p.m.-8 a.m.: The games open in Seoul with live coverage of the opening ceremony at 1.30 a.m.

RACING: C4 2.30 p.m.: 2.35, 3.05, 3.40 and 4.10 races from Ayr. BBC2: *2.40, 3.10, 3.40 and 4.10 races from* Newbury.

TRY THIS

Paul Maher's suggestion for a sporting day out

WOMEN'S UEFA CHAMPIONSHIP: With the emphasis on a family day out, England's women footballers meet Norway, the European champions, at Ewood Park, the home of Blackburn Rovers, on Sunday and *must at least draw to guarantee themselves a place in the quarter-finals of the UEFA championship. They were held to a 1-1 draw by* Finland at Millwall last Sunday. England went behind to a tenth minute goal from Ulla Kaasinen but Marie-Anne Spacey, of Fulham, made up for an earlier miss when she scored the equalizer seven minutes later.

Lying in second place in their group behind Denmark, who have already qualified, England need to win or draw against Norway, the bottom team, if they are to survive the final game in this group. The squad is reduced with four first-choice players injured, including Jackie Slack (cartilage) and Hope Powell (Achilles tendon) but, despite losing the first leg, 2-0, when the goalkeeper, Theresa Wiseman, of Fulham, was outstanding, confidence has risen. England won the Mundialito, or little World Cup, in Italy last month and on Sunday they have the home advantage.

How to get there: Blackburn Rovers FC (Tel 0254 55432) is on the A666 Bolton road, about two miles from the town centre. The game starts at 2.30 p.m. and admission is £2 (£1 for children and pensioners).

YACHTING

New Zealand need only to keep afloat

San Francisco — *Propaganda,* the New Zealand flagship co-owned by the America's Cup challengers, Michael Fay and David Richwhite, had only to stay in one piece during the final 27-mile Olympic race around San Francisco Bay yesterday to be assured of the One Ton Cup world championship (Barry Pickthall writes).

The Bruce Farr-designed yacht, skippered by Rick Dodson, had built up such a points advantage from winning the first three races that her crew was content merely to cover its leading rival, Fram X, during the 139-mile offshore race on Wednesday and come home eleventh.

The overnight heat was won by the Danish entered Team Cirkeline, five minutes ahead of the Kenwood Cup winner, Bravura, from the United States.

RESULTS: Fourth race: 1, Team Cirkeline (F Thomsen, Den); 2, Bravura (G Stagg, US); 3, *Joint Venture (R Elliott, Aus);* 4, Sagacious (G Appleby, Aus); 5, Challenge 88 (J Uzris, US). Leading positions after four races: 1, Propaganda (R Dodson, NZ); *2 Fram X (Prince Harald of Norway);* 3, Bravura.

French battle for honours

Fifteen competitors remained at sea last night in the short offshore race of the Rank Xerox Half Ton Cup from Poole (Malcolm McKeag writes).

Harmony, the British entry, was the early leader on the 127-mile course with Skipper Elf and EJP4 Concorde, the French pair, lying second and third.

Only half a point separates these two in the overall standings for the world championship and they are now well clear of EJP3 in third place. With this race carrying a 50 per cent points bonus whichever reaches the finish first this morning will take the title.

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Surrey collapse to Igglesden and a knockout

By Alan Lee
Cricket Correspondent

CANTERBURY: Surrey, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, need 166 runs to avoid an innings defeat.

Alan Igglesden achieved the best batting and bowling of his career as Kent did everything possible to keep their title hopes alive on a hectic, dramatic day, scarred by an alarming injury to the Surrey captain, Ian Greig.

Igglesden contributed 41 to a last-wicket stand of 82 at the start of the day. Then, in the more familiar guise of a bowler of classic action and deceptive pace, he provoked a spectacular Surrey collapse with a spell of six wickets for four runs in 23 balls.

Forced to follow on 245 behind, Surrey face defeat today on a pitch of increasingly untrustworthy bounce. It is hard to imagine how Surrey could have had a more miserable day. Not only have they been thoroughly outplayed, they also suffered the sight of Greig being taken to hospital, semi-conscious, after being struck full in the face while trying to hook a short ball from Penn.

There were clear signs of anxiety among the players as Greig lay motionless on the ground for several minutes. He was taken by ambulance to the nearby Kent and Canterbury hospital but his injuries were found to be relatively minor and he was released within an hour.

The incident did raise some worrying questions. Kent had to make a public-address appeal for a doctor when one should surely be present at every first-class match.

The fact that Greig's helmet grille was broken by the blow suggests more stringent safety standards should be applied to the headgear. By coincidence, Clinton, the Surrey opening batsman, was struck on the head by Ellison. His helmet was also cracked and had to be changed.

Greig's misfortune deflected attention from a remarkable performace by Igglesden, who has taken 36 wickets in six matches since returning from a long-term knee injury. It was a day when he could do no wrong.

In the morning, his effective basic batting brought Kent bonus runs as, with Ellison, he added 47 in eight overs. Then, after an unimpressive new-ball spell of four overs for 22, he came back after lunch to wreck the Surrey innings.

There had been no warning. Clinton and Bicknell had put on 70 for the first wicket against some undistinguished bowling. Clinton chipped Cowdrey's slower ball to mid-on and Stewart was bowled by one which kept low.

Lynch unwittingly hastened the collapse with a kamikaze impression. Hobbling on two injured knees, he set off for an optimistic single to mid-on. Ward hit the stumps, underarm, to claim the first of seven wickets Kent were to take for nine runs.

Igglesden was responsible for all the rest. Once he had bowled Bicknell off the inside edge, further resistence was negligible and the last four wickets fell without a run coming from the bat. Kent's supporters, and there were a sizeable number, could hardly contain themselves.

The dampener to the excitement was the news filtering through from Worcester. Kent know that even a win with maximum points, something they have not achieved all season, may not be sufficient.

They can, however, be proud of their efforts here and by dismissing Bicknell and Stewart for a second time before bad light ended play at 5 p.m., they have victory in sight.

KENT: First Innings

M R Benson lbw b Frost	7
S G Hinks c and b Frost	92
T R Ward b M P Bicknell	8
C J Tavaré c Richards b M P Bicknell	60
R F Pienaar c Richards b M P Bicknell	25
*C S Cowdrey lbw b Feltham	9
G R Cowdrey c Lynch b Feltham	34
†S A Marsh b Feltham	0
C Penn c Richards b Feltham	19
R M Ellison not out	38
A P Igglesden b Feltham	41
Extras (b 8, lb 6, w 1, nb 6)	21
Total (97.2 overs)	354

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-59, 3-163, 4-191, 5-202, 6-216, 7-216, 8-269, 9-292.

BOWLING: Frost 17-3-84-2; M P Bicknell 37-12-111-3; Feltham 34.2-3-124-5; Greig 3-0-23-0; Medlycott 6-1-18-0.

SURREY: First Innings

G S Clinton c Ward b C S Cowdrey	31
D J Bicknell b Igglesden	37
A J Stewart b Ellison	11
M A Lynch run out	8
D M Ward b Igglesden	4
†C J Richards c Marsh b Igglesden	2
*I A Greig retired hurt	1
K T Medlycott b Igglesden	0
M A Feltham lbw b Igglesden	0
M P Bicknell not out	0
M Frost b Igglesden	0
Extras (b 2, nb 13)	15
Total (37 overs)	109

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-70, 2-86, 3-100, 4-100, 5-105, 6-108, 7-109, 8-109, 9-109.

BOWLING: Penn 12-3-37-0; Igglesden 11-3-34-6; Ellison 8-4-16-1; C S Cowdrey 6-20-1.

Second Innings

G S Clinton not out	42
D J Bicknell c C S Cowdrey b Penn	5
A J Stewart b C S Cowdrey	13
M A Lynch not out	17
Extras (w 1, nb 1)	2
Total (2 wkts)	79

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-56.

Bonus points: Kent 8, Surrey 4.

Umpires: P B Wight and M J Kitchen.

Hooper record

Werneth, the Oldham-based Lancashire league club, have paid a club record fee to re-sign the West Indies Test player, Carl Hooper, as their professional for next season. Werneth have beaten off competition from several other league clubs to sign Hooper, who set a league batting record of 1,715 runs when he was professional at the club in 1986.

Cowdrey investigation

Christopher Cowdrey's recent newspaper criticism of the England selectors could yet land him in hot water at Lord's. The TCCB announced yesterday that an investigating panel was being set up to look into the matter and report back to the discipline committee.

The Kent skipper complained of what he called "shabby treatment" after being dropped from the England captaincy. Kent, who discussed the matter at executive committee level, merely issued him with a caution. The TCCB obviously feel this was insufficient.

● Leicestershire have re-signed their former player, Gordon Parsons, who left them three years ago to join Warwickshire.

Another Piggott makes her mark

Maureen Piggott, the latest member of the famous racing family to hold a training licence, saddled her first winner when Cielamour landed the Ron Laxon Stakes at Yarmouth yesterday.

The 13-8 on favourite made all the running in the hands of John Reid to beat Sea Saga by 1½ lengths.

With her father, Lester, serving a three-year prison sentence for tax evasion, and her mother, Susan, still seriously ill in hospital following her fall on the gallops, the task of training the 97 horses at the family's Eve Lodge stables in Newmarket has fallen to their elder daughter.

As Cielamour returned to cheers from the enthusiastic Yarmouth crowd packed round the winner's enclosure, Miss Piggott, said: "The whole training operation goes on just the same.

"It doesn't matter whose name is on the licence. We are carrying out the job in the way father and mother did, and it's a marvellous team effort from all concerned."

Miss Piggott, aged 28, has only held the licence for two weeks. She confirmed that her mother, who was taken off her life-supporting ventilator machine last week, is making encouraging progress.

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IN BRIEF

Medal hope for Hodge

The British Cycling Federation has offered to pay for a set of three world championship medals to ensure that Sally Hodge, the winner of the women's 30km points race during last month's series in Belgium, receives her gold medal.

The absence of medals at the event was believed to be a result of the Union Cycliste and Internationale decision to upgrade the event from a demonstration race at three days' notice.

Rich rugby

Birmingham rugby union club have been offered over £3 million by developers for their 35-acre Portway site.

North bound

The North have been forced to make two changes to their side to face a World XV at Gateshead on Sunday. The Sale scrum-half, George Doggart, and Simon Langford, of Orrell, are included.

Angling haul

An Eastbourne builder, Ron Yates, caught 34lb 10oz of coalfish, pollack and wrasse off the island of Sark to win the TVS angling competition.

League fillip

Rugby league in London will receive a boost with the appointment of a full-time amateur development officer.

Lemond moves

Bordeaux (Reuter) — Greg Lemond, the American cyclist who rides for the Dutch PDM team, will join Team Fagor if doctors say he has fully recovered from a shooting accident.

New challenge

A new international table tennis tournament, the Leeds Challenge, will be held in Perth on November 5.

Mason chance

An elimination series for the British heavyweight boxing title, held by Horace Notice, pits Gary Mason against Jess Harding and Noel Quarless against Trevor Currie.

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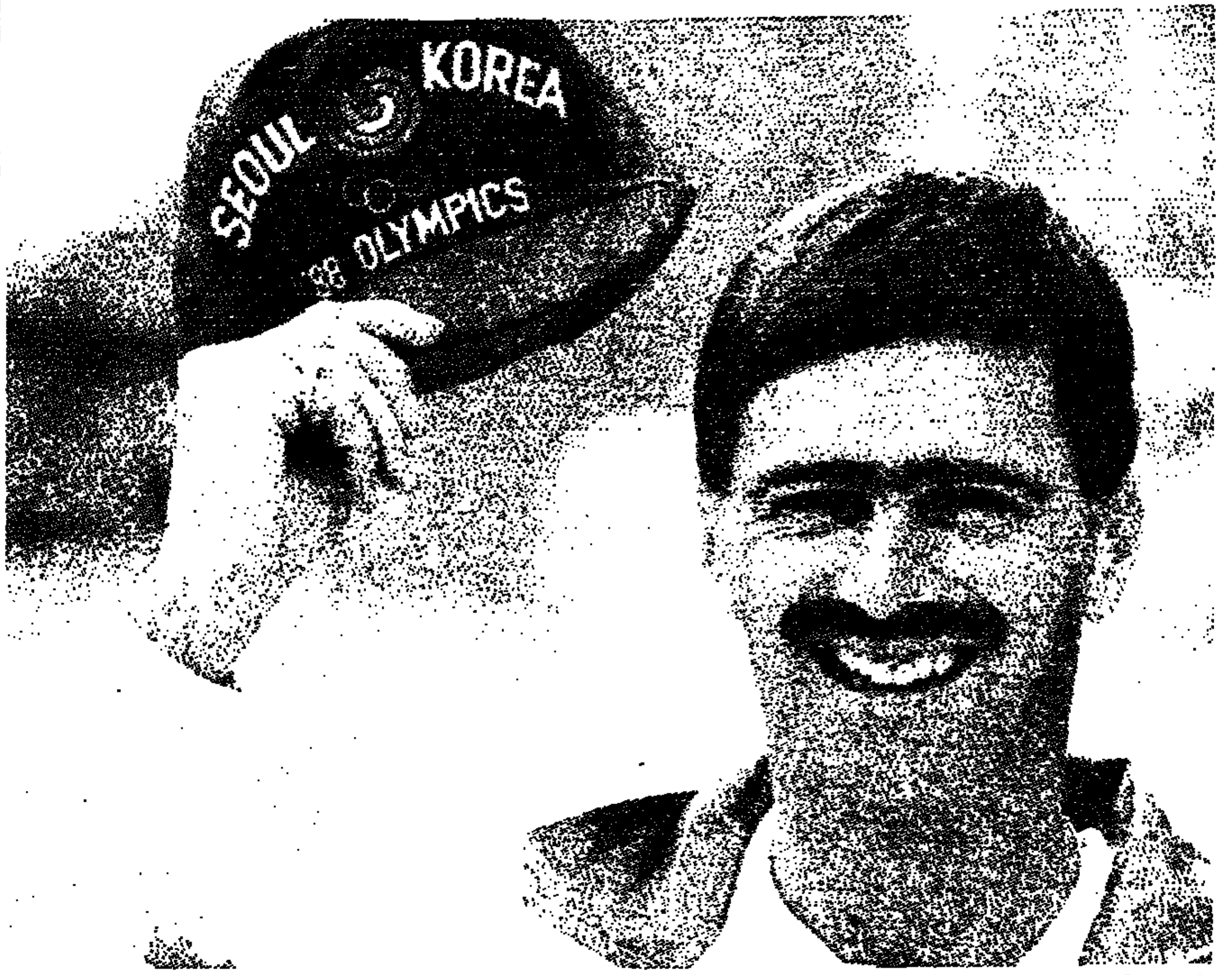

Capping it all: leading the British team tomorrow will be the pinnacle of Taylor's sporting career (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Taylor leaps at leading role

From Simon Barnes
Seoul

They could have given the honour to any one of our glamorous sporting superstars, but they did not. They gave it to a schoolteacher instead. They gave it to the chap who is head of junior school science.

Sports administrators are mostly famous for getting it wrong. But this time they have got it absolutely right. They asked Ian Taylor to carry the British flag at the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games: there could be no better choice.

Taylor is the hockey goalkeeper, the madman in the mask who dresses himself up in mattresses and flings himself at the opposition. He stands for amateurism, he stands for battles against the odds, he stands for success of the most improbable kind. The British hockey team, you will remember, only reached the Olympics last time because the Soviet Union pulled out. The team won the bronze. The phenomenal science teacher was the factor that gave Britain their edge.

Taylor was in a glow of patriotic pride after hearing the news about his flag-carrying duties. He will be leading the British team in the procession — but not the entire British team, of course. Some of them are too grand to attend, some of them feel that attending ceremonies might disrupt their sacred preparations.

"I feel very sorry for them. I have had a long and, at times, distinguished career," he said, without false modesty. "And this is the pinnacle. It is the greatest honour that can be bestowed upon any athlete."

It comes particularly happily: this will be Taylor's last Olympics: in fact, the last match Britain play in the competition will be Taylor's last competitive hockey match. I hope it is the final, and a victorious one at that.

The nice thing about Taylor and his colleagues is not that they really are genuine amateurs, but that they are perfectly balanced about their amateurism. They do not thrust it in your face, like rugby players, and they do notwhine and snipe about the people who make money from sport.

Taylor kept wanting to talk about his colleagues, and the skill and sportsmanship of the British team. "We all go to work for a living and play hockey as a recreation. All our families and employers make sacrifices for us."

The honour to him, he insisted, was a tribute to the good name of hockey "and it *has* got a good name. It has a name for hard, competitive play, and for sportsmanship, for speed and for excitement. There is no question about it, when I look back on past matches, it is not for what I have done, it's for what the team has done, and what the team has done for hockey. I'm only one-sixteenth of the squad. I'm only one one hundred and fifty thousandth of hockey."

As Taylor prepares to leave his sport — he will be 35 on Saturday week — he says he must repay employer and family for their various sacrifices. He will still do a little hockey coaching. But this is his last fling. He ended very properly by saying how much he owed to his wife Julie.

You can be as cynical as you like about all the flag-waving that goes on at the Olympics. But it is impossible to be cynical about such people as Taylor: people who, in a naughty world, manage to give the Olympic Games a good name.

Rivals' work closes on draw

Seoul — Great Britain and Australia, both seeking the gold medal in hockey at the Olympics, drew 2-2 yesterday in a lively friendly which completed the preparation for both sides who are not in the same group and could meet either in the semi-finals or the final (Sydney Friskin writes). Australia, the World Cup holders, should have won and their coach, Richard Aggiss, explained why they did not. "We missed several sitters," he said. Roger Self, the British manager, described the exercise as useful.

Indians make an offer to tour eight

By Alan Lee

The cynical side of sporting politics was flaunted yesterday. No sooner had India failed in its efforts to stage the next Commonwealth Games than its government was announcing an extraordinary change of stance on the apparently doomed England cricket tour.

Less than a week ago India's Foreign Ministry ruled out the possibility of the tour being saved by the previously used expedient of blacklisted players signing declarations against South African apartheid. Yesterday in Seoul Mrs Margaret Alva, the country's sports minister, suggested the tour could go ahead if such statements were given by all eight players who have so far been refused a visa.

There has, up to now, been no positive response from the Test and County Cricket Board, probably because they are baffled by such back-pedalling. From this distance it is as if the Indians have decided that, if they cannot have the Games, the tour might as well take place after all.

It is not clear whether Mrs Alva's remarks have the full sanction of her government superiors in New Delhi. Neither, more pertinently, is it clear precisely what pledges she has in mind from the blacklisted players.

If India requires any player to sever contacts with South Africa by promising never to return, the idea is a non-starter. The TCCB would be failing in its duty if it so much as asked the players to sign.

If, on the other hand, all that is required is a broad abhorrence of apartheid, the players would only be making their private feelings public. It would, however, be a synthetic compromise and an amazing Indian climbdown which I find it very difficult to envisage.

Alan Smith, chief executive of the TCCB, said last night that the matter will be discussed again at an executive meeting of the board on Sunday. Of yesterday's developments he said: "I want to find out exactly what they are asking. There are declarations and declarations. If this involved a player stating he would never go to South Africa I would have thought it was wholly impractical."

TV times and Programme

TODAY
BBC1: 10.15-11.15 p.m. (preview). 12.55-5 a.m.
C4: 11.15 p.m.-8 a.m. Highlights and reports: 8.-9.30 a.m. (tomorrow).
OPENING CEREMONY: 1.30-4.50 a.m.

TOMORROW
BBC1: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
ITV: 11.30 a.m-1 p.m., 4.15-4.45, 5.10-5.45 p.m.
C4: 8-9.30 a.m., 11.15 p.m.-7 a.m. (Sunday).
BASKETBALL: Men: Preliminary rounds: 10.30 a.m., China v Egypt; 12.30 a.m., Canada v Brazil.
BOXING: 10 a.m., preliminary rounds.
DIVING: 8 and 10 a.m., women: platform preliminaries.
FOOTBALL: Preliminary round: 8 a.m., China v West Germany (Group A); 8 a.m., Italy v Guatemala (Group B); 10 a.m., Sweden v Tunisia (Group A); 10 a.m., Zambia v Iraq (Group B).
VOLLEYBALL: Men: Preliminary matches: 7.30 a.m., France v Netherlands; 9.30 a.m., South Korea v Sweden.

Third World divisions thwart Indian hopes

From John Goodbody, Seoul

Victoria, Canada, was yesterday awarded the 1994 Comonwealth Games, finishing ahead of New Delhi in a 29-18 vote of seething controversy. The Indians were furious, and Cardiff, third with seven votes, complained that the dispute over the England cricket tour of India may have damaged its chances.

The Third World countries of the Commonwealth, who have staged the Games only once since they were started in 1930, showed no solidarity with India and little respect for it's position on refusing visas to English cricketers with South African links. The Commonwealth Secretariat, which had campaigned strongly for India, did not have enough influence.

Margaret Alva, the Indian sports minister, who made an attractive presentation, said afterwards: "This is a vote of no-confidence by the developing countries in themselves. It shows they do not feel they are capable of playing a role in the Commonwealth.

"It is unfair that some of us have to be the guests of the affluent. People must get out of the colonial concept. These are no longer the Empire Games."

However she emphasized that India is "still part of the Games." Asked if the country would not attend the 1990 Games in Auckland she replied: "The question does not arise."

New Delhi already has a site ready for the 10 sports and successively staged the 1982 Asian Games. Victoria, which is situated on Vancouver Island, has only two facilities completely ready and will have to enlarge it's main stadium. But it has £40 million of funds promised from federal and provisional government and more money from sponsors.

But what was perhaps the decisive factor was that Victoria had given assurances that it would organize charter flights to bring competitors from Third World countries to Western Canada but Peter Heatly, the chairman of the Commonwealth Games Federation said: "What has been offered is no more than is allowed under the constitution."

As David Dixon, the secretary of the federation said: "It was not a case of the white Commonwealth dominating the voting. There was democracy today and that is the result."

Canada also approached the voting in a professional manner. David Black, the chairman of the Victoria Promotions Committee said: "We got to know all the Delegates — what their needs were.

"A fine management team is in place and there is the necessary funding. When you get good people with good money in a good enviornment you can do anything. The delegates knew our Games would be a great Games.

Bill Herbert, the Mayor of Cardiff, said: "I think the cricket tour could have affected the voting. There is a difficulty in many delegates minds of separating Wales and England. Wales is part of the United Kingdom but for the Games it is a nation on it's own."

It had little chance of standing up to Canada, which has staged the 1976 Olympics, 1978 Comonwealth Games and the 1988 Winter Olympics. The farewell words of Jean Charest, Canada's Minister for Sport, were: "See you soon — when we get the 1996 Olympics." Toronto is one of the favourites.

Short-sighted folly weakens the Commonwealth itself

Seoul

David Miller

The sporting representatives of the Commonwealth Games Federation demonstrated here yesterday that they do not even understand the meaning of the noun by which they are supposed to be united.

Their rejection of Delhi as host for the 1994 games is an act of immeasurable folly. The choice of Victoria, British Columbia, may produce good games but unquestionably a weaker Commonwealth.

The International Olympic Committee's choice for the 1994 Olympic Winter Games, while, on the one hand, making a memorable return to sporting criteria, on the other, carries an implied insult, with the rejection of Sofia, to the socialist world which may in the long term disrupt the harmony so successfully achieved here in Seoul.

While I am delighted for Lillehammer of Norway, who will provide the Games with picturesque, traditional, non-commercial ambience, I am alarmed that the unrewarded initiative of Ivon Slavkov, Bulgaria's progressive IOC member may prove harmful to the Olympic movement and at home to him.

Both decisions were conditioned by elements of self-interest, but it is the first which is so disturbing, not to say disgraceful. Here was the opportunity for a long delayed gesture to the third world, for the first Asian Commonwealth Games and only the second outside white-orientated Britain, Australia, Canada and New Zealand. Kingston, Jamaica were the 1966 hosts.

Inexplicably, the black Caribbeans and some of the Africans preferred the creature comforts of Western Canada to the aspirations of their *fellow* non-whites in India. So much for Third World solidarity.

Victoria's promises of assistance with air tickets and of advanced training facilities outweighed any judgement of humanitarian priorities. White finance won again; and never mind the future. A passionate speech by Margaret Alva, the Indian Minister of Youth and Sport, was to no avail. Some of the third world were looking for five-star hotels and freebies.

Brian Wightman, the former British rugby international, who is the General Secretary of the Tonga Olympic Committee, said afterwards: "This is not the fault of the big countries, but of many of the small nations and islands without resources, who are looking for help, not for principles". With such introspection, it is difficult to see how the Games, and indeed the Commonwealth itself, can survive.

Some representatives of black nations felt, regrettably, that Alva was hectoring. But there is another aspect which India should consider in its mood of disappointment and affront.

It is that the non-white sporting interest may not be well served by the constant politically-orientated involvement of Sam Ramsamy, the Chairman of the so-called South African Non-Racial Olympic Committee.

While I have every sympathy with Ramsamy's motives and principles, SANROC is a wholly non-sporting body, with no right to the Olympic suffix. Militant non-white campaigning, in a situation devoid of apartheid — leaving aside the fringe irrelevance of Cardiff's bid — may well be negatively influential.

Yet what of the failure of Sofia, the supposed favourites for the winter games, runners-up to Albertville two years ago. The IOC members seemingly took no account of *Glasnost*, of the socialist reunification in Seoul with the Olympic movement, of Slavkov's conspicuously outspoken attempt to transcend the conventional attitudes of an in-line communist state.

Its representatives may well ask whether they should bother trying again. They are extremely disillusioned that their elimination came on the first vote.

On the third vote, 15 of the Anchorage votes switched to Lillehammer who beat Ostersund, 45-39. Why?

The accepted answer yesterday evening was that Anchorage's vote was primarily American, North and South, and that the South Americans were reacting to the failure of any of their three candidates in the morning's vote for positions on the executive board, when those elected were Ericsson (Sweden) and Kim Un Young (South Korea).

By such subjectivity is the IOC ruled.

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